

National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14b— Level of workforce participation (survey data), 2017

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Indicator
Indicator type:	Indicator
Short name:	PI 14b—Level of workforce participation (survey data), 2017
METEOR identifier:	645414
Registration status:	Indigenous , Superseded 06/06/2017
Description:	<p>There are three measures for this indicator:</p> <p>(a) Employment to population ratio, by Indigenous status.</p> <p>(b) Unemployment rate, by Indigenous status.</p> <p>(c) Labour force participation rate, by Indigenous status.</p>
Rationale:	Participation in employment has important consequences for living standards, social and emotional wellbeing and participation in the community. This is a key measure of the target to halve the gap in employment outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a decade.
Indicator set:	National Indigenous Reform Agreement (2017) Indigenous , Superseded 06/06/2017
Outcome area:	Indigenous people of working age participate effectively in all sectors and at all levels of the labour market Indigenous , Standard 21/07/2010
Data quality statement:	National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14b-Level of workforce participation (survey data), 2015-16: Quality Statement Indigenous , Superseded 07/02/2018

Collection and usage attributes

Population group age from:	15 years
Population group age to:	64 years
Computation description:	<p>Presentation: Number and percentage (per 100 persons).</p> <p>Relative standard errors and 95% confidence intervals are calculated for proportions.</p> <p>Rate ratios and rate differences are calculated for comparisons between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians.</p>
Computation:	<p>Rate: $100 \times (\text{Numerator} \div \text{Denominator})$.</p> <p>Rate ratio: Indigenous rate divided by non-Indigenous rate.</p> <p>Rate difference: Indigenous minus non-Indigenous rate.</p>
Numerator:	<p>(a) Number of employed people aged 15–64 years.</p> <p>(b) Number of unemployed people aged 15–64 years.</p> <p>(c) Number of people aged 15–64 years in the labour force.</p>

Numerator data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Person—age

Data Source

[ABS Survey of Education and Work \(SEW\)](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Survey

Based on 2014 SEW.

Main non-Indigenous numerator data source.

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Person—labour force status

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Person—labour force status

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Data source type: Survey

Main Indigenous numerator data source.

Denominator:

For (a) and (c) Total population aged 15–64 years

For (b) Total number of people in the labour force aged 15–64 years

Denominator data elements:**Data Element / Data Set****Data Element**

Person—age

Data Source

[ABS Survey of Education and Work \(SEW\)](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Survey

Based on 2014 SEW.

Main non-Indigenous denominator data source.

Data Element / Data Set**Data Element**

Person—age

Data Source

[ABS 2014-15 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey \(NATSISS\)](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Survey

Main Indigenous denominator data source

Disaggregation:

Disaggregation: National and state/territory by remoteness area by Indigenous status.

Disaggregation data elements:

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 1 (SA1) (ASGS 2011)

Data Source

[ABS Survey of Education and Work \(SEW\)](#)

Guide for use

Data source type: Survey

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Person—Indigenous status

Data Source

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Guide for use

Data source type: Survey

Based on 2014 SEW.

Data Element / Data Set

Data Element

Person—area of usual residence, statistical area level 1 (SA1) (ASGS 2011)

Data Source

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Data source type: Survey

Comments: Most recent data available for 2017 report (2015–16 reporting cycle) are for 2014–15.

The most recent survey data for this indicator are:

- National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey (NATSISS) 2014–15 (Indigenous) and
- SEW (non-Indigenous): SEW data (non-Indigenous) 2014.

The baseline report presented data from the 2008 NATSISS (Indigenous) and 2008 SEW (non-Indigenous) as the main data collection.

The 2014 report presented data from the NATSIHS component of the 2012–13 AATSIHS and the 2012 SEW.

Prior to 2010, the SEW did not include people living in very remote areas. From 2010 onwards, the SEW includes people living in very remote areas except discrete Indigenous communities.

Prior to 2010, the SEW did not include the remoteness variable. Therefore, a non-Indigenous comparator for remoteness for the 2008 NATSISS is not reported.

The size of the standard errors mean that SEW data may not be adequate for measuring change over time.

Baseline year for NIRA target (Halve the gap in employment outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians within a decade) is 2008; baseline year for this indicator is 2008; target year is 2018.

Representational attributes

Representation class: Percentage

Data type: Real

Unit of measure: Person

Format: N[N].N

Indicator conceptual framework

Framework and dimensions: [Socioeconomic Factors](#)

Data source attributes

Data sources:**Data Source**

[ABS Survey of Education and Work \(SEW\)](#)

Frequency

Annual

Data custodian

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Data Source

[ABS 2014-15 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Social Survey \(NATSISS\)](#)

Frequency

Every 6 years

Data custodian

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Accountability attributes

Organisation responsible for providing data: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Further data development / collection required: Specification: Long-term.

Source and reference attributes

Steward: [National Indigenous Reform Agreement Performance Information Management Group](#)

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14b—Level of workforce participation \(survey data\), 2016](#)
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 01/07/2016

Has been superseded by [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14b—Level of workforce participation \(survey data\), 2018](#)
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 31/07/2018

See also [National Indigenous Reform Agreement: PI 14a—Level of workforce participation \(Census data\), 2016](#)
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 01/07/2016