

Service episode—funded out-of-home care placement, number N[NN]

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of funded out-of-home care placements
Synonymous names:	Number of placements during continuous episode
METEOR identifier:	652026
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children and Families, Superseded 20/02/2021
Definition:	The cumulative number of unique out-of-home care placements funded for a child during an episode of care.
Data Element Concept:	Service episode—funded out-of-home care placement

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:	<p>The current placement should be included in the count of placements.</p> <p>A return to a previous placement or a return home should not be counted as a new placement.</p> <p>Respite/temporary placements lasting less than 7 days should be excluded from the count of placements.</p> <p>If it is not applicable to record the number of placements (i.e. the living arrangement was not a funded out-of-home care placement), 997 should be recorded.</p> <p>If the number of other placements during a preceding continuous episode of care is not stated/inadequately described, 999 should be recorded.</p> <p>Only placements that were part of the continuous episode of care at the time of the current placement should be included (i.e. subsequent placements are not included in the count of placements for the current record regardless of whether they will form a continuation of the episode).</p>
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Steward: [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#)
Origin: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2013. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2012-13. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Service episode—funded out-of-home care placement number N\[NN\]](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 10/10/2014
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2011

Implementation end date: 30/06/2013

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the child being in funded out-of-home care placements.

DSS specific information:

This data element should reflect an iterative count of the number of unique placements as at each record in the episode. If this cannot be provided the total unique placements for the episode can be recorded.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

Implementation start date: 01/07/2012

Implementation end date: 30/06/2014

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the child being in funded out-of-home care placements.

DSS specific information:

This item should reflect an iterative count of the number of unique placements as at each record in the episode. If this cannot be provided, the total unique placements for the episode can be recorded.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/04/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2014

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the child being in funded out-of-home care placements.

DSS specific information:

This item should reflect an iterative count of the number of unique placements as at each record in the episode. If this cannot be provided, the total unique placements for the episode can be recorded.

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on the child being in funded out-of-home care placements.

DSS specific information:

This item should reflect an iterative count of the number of unique placements as at each record in the episode. If this cannot be provided, the total unique placements for the episode can be recorded.

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