

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service individual client contacts cluster

Identifying and definitional attributes

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- [Indigenous](#), Standard 07/12/2017

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Scope: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster describes the number of individual client contacts made by each type of worker from an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service that received funding from the Australian Government through the Office for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health (OATSIH).

The data elements are used together to provide a count of the number of client contacts by type of worker by the sex of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health services clients.

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	Male	Female	Total
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health workers (AHW) excluding transport without health care provision	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Doctors	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Nurses	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Substance misuse workers	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Social and emotional wellbeing staff (please specify)	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Medical specialists/other allied health professionals (please specify)	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Dentists/dental therapists	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Dental support workers (e.g. dental assistants, dental technicians)	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Sexual health workers	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Traditional healers	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
Transport workers (e.g. AHW/field officer/driver contacts)	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
- taking clients to see health professionals who DO NOT work for this service	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]
- taking clients to see health professionals who DO work for this service			
Contacts with other staff members (please specify)	N[NNN]	N[NNN]	N[NNN]

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A health-care contact occurs when a health professional sees an individual client or provides advice over the phone. A transport contact occurs when a client is given transport by the service to see either a health professional working for the service, or another health professional.

Includes:

- staff and visiting health professionals
- contacts involving direct provision of health care, including but not limited to, for sickness, injury, counselling, health education and screening
- all contacts involving transport (note: where an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander worker (AHW) provides transport and health care as part of one contact, this is counted as an AHW contact. Where an AHW provides transport only in one contact, this is counted as a transport worker contact)

Excludes:

- contacts with groups
- residential care
- administration contacts with clients e.g. receptionist making appointments for clients

Collection methods: The Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service provides counts of male, female and total client contacts by type of worker, as detailed in the Scope, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts table. The total client contacts may include clients for which sex was not known or not reported.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster](#)

- [Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services DSS Indigenous](#), Standard 07/12/2017

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-	Person—sex, code N	Mandatory	2
-	Service provider organisation—contact worker type, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services worker type code N[N]	Mandatory	13
-	Service provider organisation—contact worker type, text X[X(199)]	Conditional	99
-	Service provider organisation—number of service contacts, total N[NNNNN]	Mandatory	99