

Service type outlet—number of service operation weeks, total N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Service operation weeks
METEOR identifier:	680946
Registration status:	Disability , Standard 15/12/2017
Definition:	The total number of weeks during a specified period that a service type outlet is open to provide services.
Data Element Concept:	Service type outlet—number of service operation weeks
Value Domain:	Total service operation weeks N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N[N]	
Maximum character length:	2	
Supplementary values:	Value	Meaning
	90	No regular pattern of operation through a year
	99	Not stated/inadequately described
Unit of measure:	Week	

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	A week is measured from 12:00AM (midnight) Monday morning to 11:59PM the following Sunday. If a service operates within this period then it is counted as having operated during that week. Therefore if an agency operates for only a short time for one of the days within a week, it is counted as operating during that week.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Steward:	Disability Policy and Research Working Group (DPRWG)
Origin:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare 2016. Disability Services National Minimum Data Set: data guide, July 2016. Cat. no. DAT 4. Canberra: AIHW.

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Comments:	When collected in conjunction with the number of service operation hours in a day and the service operation days in a week this metadata item can provide useful information on patterns of service delivery.
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Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Service type outlet—number of service operation weeks, total NN Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 10/04/2013
[Disability](#), Superseded 15/12/2017

See also [Service type outlet—full financial year funding indicator, yes/no code N Disability](#), Standard 29/02/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Disability Services NMDS 2017–18](#)

[Disability](#), Superseded 05/07/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

DSS specific information:

In the Disability Services National Minimum Data Set (DS NMDS), this data element refers to the number of weeks per year the [service type outlet](#) usually operates. It is asking about the amount of time the service type outlet is generally open for service provision to [service users](#), not about the amount of time a service type outlet is staffed.

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Weeks per year of operation are to be recorded as 1–52 (the actual number of weeks per year), or as '90' ('no regular pattern of operation through a year') if there is no regular pattern (for example, a recreation/holiday program which is offered only if there are sufficient numbers (i.e. program offered on demand)).

This data element is seeking information about the usual weeks of operation of a service type outlet. For example, if a service type outlet received funding from September but intends to operate for 52 weeks per year, '52' is recorded for this data element, and 'No' is recorded for the '[Service provider organisation—full financial year funding indicator, yes/no code N](#)' data element.

Service type outlets of service types 7.01–7.04 may record '90' ('no regular pattern of operation through a year'), or, if it is possible and they wish to do so, they may record the actual number of weeks of operation.

[Disability Services NMDS 2018–19](#)

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