

# Person (employed)—role of early childhood education and care worker, code N

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Role of early childhood education and care worker
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	731373
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Early Childhood</a> , Superseded 02/12/2020
<b>Definition:</b>	The main role undertaken by an early childhood education and care worker, as represented by a code.

## Data element concept attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Data element concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—role of early childhood education and care worker</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	441581
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Early Childhood</a> , Standard 07/06/2011
<b>Definition:</b>	The main role of an early childhood education and care worker.
<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Person</a>
<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Role of early childhood education and care worker</a>

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG)
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## Value domain attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Value domain:</b>	<a href="#">Early childhood education and care worker role, code N</a>
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	603021
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Early Childhood</a> , Standard 01/06/2015
<b>Definition:</b>	A code set representing the main role of the early childhood education and care worker.

### Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	1

	Value	Meaning
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Principal/director/coordinator/teacher-in-charge
	2	Group leader/teacher

3	Assistant/aide
4	Other contact worker
5	Non contact worker

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>CODE 1 Principal/director/coordinator/teacher in charge</p> <p>A person with overall responsibility for managing the service.</p> <p>CODE 2 Group leader/teacher</p> <p>A <a href="#">qualified early childhood teacher</a> responsible for a group of young children.</p> <p>CODE 3 Assistant/aide</p> <p>An early childhood worker who helps a more senior and more qualified early childhood teacher.</p> <p>CODE 4 Other contact worker</p> <p>Includes people who provide child care or additional educational or supplementary services for children, such as a child care worker, dance teacher, music therapist, disability support worker, librarian or speech therapist.</p> <p>CODE 5 Non contact worker</p> <p>A worker who has no direct contact with children and primarily contributes to the running of the service or provides support services.</p>
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<b>Guide for use:</b>	<p>This item is only applicable to paid workers in early childhood education and care services.</p> <p>For Codes 1 to 4 this <b>includes</b> <a href="#">contact workers</a> who are usually present to plan and deliver or support the delivery of a face-to-face early childhood education program, but may have been absent during the reference period due to illness or extended holiday leave and are expected to return.</p> <p>For Codes 1 to 4 this <b>excludes</b> relief teachers who are not present at the early childhood education and care service (i.e. not delivering a face-to-face early childhood education program) during the reference period.</p> <p><b>Delivery</b> (of an <a href="#">early childhood education program</a>) refers to face-to-face delivery of an early childhood education program or distance early childhood education program for at least one hour per week during the reference period by an early childhood education and care contact worker.</p>
<b>Collection methods:</b>	<p>Should be reported for the main role performed by a person during the reference period, regardless of whether this is different to their usual role.</p> <p>'Main' is defined as the role that the person spends the majority of time performing during the reference period.</p>

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Department of Education, Skills and Employment  
**Steward:** [Data Strategy Group \(DSG\)](#)

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Person \(employed\)—role of early childhood education and care worker, code N](#)  
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 01/06/2015

Has been superseded by [Person \(employed\)—role of early childhood education and care worker, code N](#)  
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 05/07/2022

See also [Person \(employed\)—type of work activity, early childhood education and care, code N](#)  
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 02/12/2020

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2019](#)  
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 02/12/2020  
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