Health of the Nation Outcome Scale for Children and Adolescents score code N

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| METEOR identifier: | 748284 |
| Registration status: | [Health](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/12), Standard 09/12/2022 |
| Definition: | A code set representing the severity of psychiatric symptoms of an individual aged 17 and under. |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N | |
| Maximum character length: | 1 | |
|  | **Value** | **Meaning** |
| Permissible values: | 0 | No problems within the period stated |
|  | 1 | Minor problem requiring no action |
|  | 2 | Mild problem but definitely present |
|  | 3 | Moderately severe problem |
|  | 4 | Severe to very severe problem |
| Supplementary values: | 7 | Not stated/Missing |
|  | 9 | Unable to rate because not known or not applicable to the consumer |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The Health of the Nation Outcome Scale for Children and Adolescents (HoNOSCA) is used to rate child and adolescent mental health service users. Together, the scales rate various aspects of mental and social health.  The HoNOSCA is answered on an item-specific anchored 5 point scoring scale which is used to score and thereby determine the scale of the individual psychiatric symptoms outlined in the HoNOSCA. Higher scores indicate problems of greater severity. The psychiatric symptom scales are assigned a value between 0 and 4, with supplementary values of 7 and 9 where a value cannot be assigned due to it being not stated, missing or unable to be rated for other reasons. The fifteen scales are as follows:   1. Disruptive, antisocial or aggressive behaviour 2. Over-activity, attention and/or concentration 3. Non-accidental self-injury 4. Alcohol, substance/solvent misuse 5. Scholastic or language skills 6. Physical illness or disability problems 7. Hallucinations, delusions or abnormal perceptions 8. Non-organic somatic symptoms 9. Emotional and related symptoms 10. Peer relationships 11. Self-care and independence 12. Family life and relationships 13. Poor school attendance 14. Lack of knowledge - nature of difficulties 15. Lack of information - services/management.   The sum of the individual scores of each of the scales (excluding supplementary values 7 Not stated/Missing and 9 Unable to rate because not known or not applicable to the consumer) from 1 to 13 represents the total HoNOSCA score. The total HoNOSCA score represents the overall severity of an individual's psychiatric symptoms. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |

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| Relational attributes | |
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