Service provider organisation—number of early childhood education program service operation weeks (calendar year), total NN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Early childhood education program service operation weeks (calendar year)
Synonymous names:	Preschool program service operation weeks (calendar year)
METEOR identifier:	763164
Registration status:	Early Childhood, Standard 05/07/2022
Definition:	The total number of weeks per calendar year that the service provider organisation is open to provide **early childhood education program** services.
Data Element Concept:	Service provider organisation—number of early childhood education program service operation weeks
Value Domain:	Total service operation weeks NN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	NN	
Maximum character length:	2	
	Value	**Meaning**
Supplementary values:	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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Guide for use:	Valid numbers are 01 to 52.

Collection methods: A service provider organisation is defined as the organisational unit which delivers an early childhood education and care service at a particular location.

The provision of service relates only to the early childhood education program components, i.e. the number of service operation weeks should only be reported for the weeks in the calendar year that the service provider organisation offers an early childhood education program.

his should include the usual service operation weeks, irrespective of COVID-19 impacts.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Department of Education

Steward: Early Childhood Policy Group (ECPG)

Origin: Council on Federal Financial Relations (CFFR) 2021. Preschool Reform Agreement. Canberra: CFFR, viewed 4 August 2022 https://federalfinancialrelations.gov.au/agreements/preschool-reform-agreement

Reference documents: Australian Government (2018). National information agreement on early childhood education and care. Canberra: Australian Government

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes Service provider organisation—number of early childhood education program service operation weeks (calendar year), total NN
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