

Early childhood education and care contact worker

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Glossary Item
Synonymous names:	Contact worker
METEOR identifier:	763273
Registration status:	Early Childhood , Standard 05/07/2022
Definition:	A contact worker is an early childhood education and care worker who is employed, and paid, by an early childhood education and care service provider as a principal/director/coordinator/teacher-in-charge, group leader/teacher, assistant/aide or other contact worker to plan and deliver or support the delivery of an Early childhood education program (excludes non-contact workers).

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: A contact worker may be employed on a contract, part-time or full-time basis.

Delivery (of an early childhood education program) 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. **Includes** contact workers who are usually present to plan and deliver or support the delivery of an 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, or due to COVID-19 impacts, and are expected to return.

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Related metadata references:	Supersedes Early childhood education and care contact worker Early Childhood , Superseded 05/07/2022
	See also Qualified early childhood teacher Early Childhood , Standard 05/07/2022
	See also Qualified early childhood teacher Early Childhood , Superseded 05/07/2022

Metadata items which use this glossary item:

[Child—early childhood education program received from a qualified teacher indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Child—early childhood education program received from a qualified teacher indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 24/05/2024

[Child—Hours of an early childhood education program received from qualified teacher\(s\), Total hours N\[N\]](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Child—Hours of an early childhood education program received from qualified teacher\(s\), Total hours N\[N\]](#)
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[Early Childhood Education and Care DSS 2022](#)
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[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2023](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 15/08/2023

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2024](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 24/05/2024

[Person \(employed\)—education field of highest relevant qualification, in early childhood education and care, code N\[N\]](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Person \(employed\)—hours worked in early childhood education program delivery \(per week\), total hours NNN](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Person \(employed\)—hours worked in early childhood education program delivery \(per week\), total hours NNN](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 24/05/2024

[Person \(employed\)—level of highest qualification in early childhood education and care, code N\[N\]](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

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

[Person \(employed\)—type of work activity, early childhood education and care, code N](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Person \(employed\)—type of work activity, early childhood education and care, code N](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Recorded 24/05/2024

[Qualified early childhood teacher](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 05/07/2022

[Service provider organisation—early childhood education program delivered by a qualified teacher indicator, yes/no code N](#)
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