

Person—departure time from service, hhmm

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Departure time from service
METEOR identifier:	314976
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Standard 30/11/2007
Definition:	The time that a person leaves the place of service delivery.
Data Element Concept:	Person—departure time from service
Value Domain:	Time hhmm

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Time
Data type:	Date/Time
Format:	hhmm
Maximum character length:	4

Source and reference attributes

Reference documents:	ISO 8601:2000 : Data elements and interchange formats - Information interchange - Representation of dates and times
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:	This data element may be used in conjunction with the data element <i>Arrival time at service</i> as a measure of the patterns of utilisation of services.
Comments:	In addition, this data element can be used to calculate the number of hours per day, hours per week and days per week a person uses services.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	NCSIMG Children's Services Data Working Group Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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Relational attributes

DSS specific information:

In the Children's Services NMDS, this data element should be rounded to the nearest quarter of an hour.

In cases where the person received overnight care, the leaving time should be recorded on the initial day as 2359 and the next day the first arrival time should be recorded as 0000.

For children who are included on the data collection form, but do not attend all or some of the sessions, the reporting field should reflect the child's non-attendance of these sessions and be filled in as 0000.

Therefore, for children who 'usually attend', but in fact did not attend for the collection week, all attendance times should be recorded as 0000.

Times should only be recorded for children who actually attended the service. Where a child does not attend continuously throughout the day, arrival and departure times should be recorded in both the morning and the afternoon.