Child—preschool program hours attended (per week), total hours N[N]

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Preschool program hours attended (total) |
| METEOR identifier: | 436128 |
| Registration status: | [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 28/05/2014 |
| Definition: | The total number of hours of a [**preschool program**](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/436132) that a child has attended per week. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Child—preschool program hours attended](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/388615) |
| Value Domain: | [Total hours N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/390307) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[N] | |
| Maximum character length: | 2 | |
| Unit of measure: | Hour (h) | |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | Total hours expressed as 0, 1, 2, 25, 60 etc. |

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

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| Data element attributes | |
| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | A child is recorded as having attended a preschool program if they were present for at least one hour during the reference period.  Non-instructional times such as recess, tea breaks and lunch breaks should be included if the child was under the supervision of the service provider organisation.  If the child attends more than one preschool program in a given day, non-instructional or waiting times between programs should be excluded in the count of hours.  The hours attended may be less than or equal to the maximum number of hours available for children to attend the preschool program and/or the hours the child is enrolled, at the service in the reference period.  0 hours should only be recorded for children who were enrolled but did not attend a preschool program during the reference period.  If the number of hours attended per week is unknown record 99. |
| Collection methods: | The hours of a preschool program attended should be reported for the specified reference period.  Jurisdictions which adopt a two week reference period are required to derive their data to a representative reference week. |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG) |
| Steward: | [Early Childhood Data Sub Group (ECDSG)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/388499) |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Child—preschool program hours attended per week, total hours N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/390310)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Retired 21/05/2010  [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 07/06/2011  Has been superseded by [Child—early childhood education program hours attended (per week), total hours N[N]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/557063)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 01/06/2015 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2011](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/438006)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 09/03/2012  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2011  [Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2012](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/466523)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 08/04/2013  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2012  [Early Childhood Education and Care: Unit Record Level NMDS 2013](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/494147)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/15), Superseded 28/05/2014  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013 |