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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Number of service contacts |
| METEOR identifier: | 483060 |
| Registration status: | [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 16/09/2014  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 13/11/2014 |
| Definition: | The total number of service contacts provided to individual clients by a service provider organisation. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Service provider organisation—number of service contacts](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/483063) |
| Value Domain: | [Total contacts N[NNNNN]](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/497094) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Total | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[NNNNN] | |
| Maximum character length: | 6 | |
| Unit of measure: | Service contact | |



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| Data element attributes | |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Relational attributes | |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service individual client contacts cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/676946)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service workers.  [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/665024)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service workers.  [Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care services individual client contacts cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/564904)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 16/09/2014  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander primary health-care service' workers.  [Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counselling Program client contacts cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/578637)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Superseded 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counsellors.  [Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counselling Program individual client contacts cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/677196)  [Indigenous](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/9), Standard 07/12/2017  ***DSS specific information:***  This data element is used to collect the number of individual client contacts made by Bringing Them Home/Link Up Counsellors.  [Care coordination mental health service type cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/494839)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 13/11/2014  ***DSS specific information:***  A service contact must involve at least two persons, one of whom must be from a [mental health-related non-government organisation](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/494729).  Service contacts are not restricted to in person communication but can include telephone, video link or other forms of direct communication.  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[Mental health non-government organisation establishments DSS (draft - this is NOT the new NMDS!)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/478985)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Recorded 04/07/2012  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/07/2013  [Personalised support—linked to housing mental health service type cluster](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/494828)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 13/11/2014  ***DSS specific information:***  A service contact must involve at least two persons, one of whom must be from a [mental health-related non-government organisation](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/494729).  Service contacts are not restricted to in person communication but can include telephone, video link or other forms of direct communication.  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