

Child—new client indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Child protection new client indicator
METEOR identifier:	521821
Registration status:	Community Services (retired) , Recorded 20/02/2014 [Non Dictionary] Children and Families , Superseded 22/11/2016
Definition:	An indicator of whether a child was a new child protection client of the reporting jurisdiction, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Child—new client indicator
Value Domain:	Yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code	
Data type:	Number	
Format:	N	
Maximum character length:	1	
	Value	Meaning
Permissible values:	1	Yes
	2	No
Supplementary values:	9	Not stated/inadequately described

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	CODE 9 Not stated/inadequately described This code is not for use in primary data collections.
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Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Yes

Record for a new client

A new client is a child who has not ever previously been the subject of an investigation, any type of national care and protection order, or funded out-of-home care placement (including only those respite placements of 7 days or more) within the jurisdiction.

CODE 2 No

Record for a repeat client

A repeat client is a child:

- who has previously been the subject of an investigation or was discharged (according to national specifications) from any type of national care and protection order or funded out-of-home care placement (including only those respite placements of 7 days or more); and
- whose earliest order and/or placement in the current reporting period is part of a preceding continuous episode of care.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare**Steward:** [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#)**Origin:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2013. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2012-13. Canberra: AIHW.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Has been superseded by [Child—new client indicator, yes/no/not stated/inadequately described code N](#)
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Child protection \(CP\) client file cluster](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 09/10/2014**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2011**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2013**DSS specific information:**

Code 9 'Not stated/inadequately described' in the data element is equivalent to code 99 in the Child protection NMDS collection manual.