Service provider organisation—maximum early childhood education program hours available per week, total hours N[N]

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Maximum early childhood education program hours available per week (service provider organisation)
Synonymous names:	Maximum preschool program hours available per week (service provider organisation)
METEOR identifier:	602347
Registration status:	Early Childhood, Standard 01/06/2015
Definition:	The maximum number of hours of an **early childhood education program** available to children at this service per week, in total hours.
Data Element Concept:	Service provider organisation—maximum early childhood education program hours available per week
Value Domain:	Total hours N[N]

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

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

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	Total hours expressed as 0, 1, 2, 25, 60 etc.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The maximum hours may be less than or equal to the opening hours of the service but may exceed the number of hours the child is enrolled for or hours attended at the service in 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.

Collection methods: The maximum number of hours should be collected for each early childhood education program available at the service. These data should then be used to determine and report the maximum program length at the service provider level.

Jurisdictions which adopt a two week reference period are required to derive their data to a representative reference week.

Comments: This data element provides information on the proportion of children that are enrolled in early childhood education programs that are available for at least 15 hours per week or at least 600 hours per year.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Service provider organisation—maximum early childhood education program hours available per week, total hours N[N]](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 01/06/2015

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2015](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 01/06/2015
Implementation start date: 01/07/2015

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2016](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2016
Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2017](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Superseded 24/07/2018
Implementation start date: 01/07/2017
Implementation end date: 01/06/2018

[Early Childhood Education and Care: Aggregate NMDS 2018](#)
[Early Childhood](#), Standard 24/07/2018
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