

14A Children's services — attachment

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Table 14A.1

Table 14A.1 Equity indicator: Representation of special needs groups in attendees at Australian Government approved child care services (per cent) (a)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
Children from non-English speaking backgrounds									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	15.2	12.5	6.0	8.3	5.9	3.1	12.2	7.3	10.7
1999	15.3	12.2	6.2	7.7	6.0	2.2	10.6	7.5	10.7
2000	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
2002	16.3	12.3	5.9	7.2	6.4	2.4	11.0	6.3	10.8
2004	17.4	13.5	6.3	7.9	6.9	3.4	12.1	8.1	11.6
Representation in the community (d)	8.8	8.0	2.7	3.6	3.0	1.1	2.1	4.1	6.1
Indigenous children									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	1.4	0.5	2.4	2.7	1.2	0.8	0.8	14.5	1.6
1999	1.4	0.6	2.1	2.1	1.2	0.7	0.8	10.4	1.5
2000	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
2002	1.5	0.5	2.7	1.7	1.4	1.2	0.7	9.8	1.7
2004	1.6	0.6	2.5	1.8	1.3	1.0	0.7	10.7	1.6
Representation in the community (e)	3.6	1.0	5.9	5.8	3.1	6.4	2.1	36.7	4.1
Children with a disability									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	2.1	1.9	1.8	2.0	3.2	2.3	1.7	1.8	2.0
1999	2.3	2.2	1.9	1.9	3.9	2.2	1.6	1.5	2.3
2000	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
2002	2.3	2.3	2.1	1.6	3.3	2.5	2.1	2.0	2.3
2004	2.1	2.0	2.0	1.7	3.5	2.2	2.1	2.4	2.1
Representation in the community (f)	8.6	7.2	7.9	9.2	9.9	7.3	7.2	na	8.2
Children from low-income families									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2002 (g)	29.1	29.0	35.2	34.3	35.4	33.6	13.7	19.1	31.2
2004	28.0	28.3	33.8	32.6	33.0	31.5	12.4	18.8	29.9
Representation in the community (h)	16.7	16.1	15.0	17.3	18.6	19.9	8.0	18.8	16.4

Table 14A.1

Table 14A.1 Equity indicator: Representation of special needs groups in attendees at Australian Government approved child care services (per cent) (a)

	<i>NSW</i>	<i>Vic</i>	<i>Qld</i>	<i>WA</i>	<i>SA</i>	<i>Tas</i>	<i>ACT</i>	<i>NT</i>	<i>Aust</i>
Children from regional and remote areas									
Regional									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2002	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2004	25.9	22.5	38.9	18.2	16.2	99.6	–	74.0	28.8
Representation in the community (e)	30.0	29.1	45.6	24.0	26.9	97.6	0.3	48.9	33.4
Remote									
Representation in child care services (b), (c)									
1997	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2002	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2004	0.4	0.1	1.6	5.0	2.0	0.4	–	26.0	1.4
Representation in the community (e)	0.8	0.1	4.7	9.2	4.8	2.4	–	51.1	3.2

(a) WA data exclude children attending kindergartens for four year olds, provided by the Department of Education, who would otherwise be in child care.

(b) Data are estimated from the AGCCCS. There is double counting where children attended more than one service.

(c) Excludes children from Aboriginal play groups, and mobile and toy libraries.

(d) Data are estimated from ABS 2002 Child Care Survey and related to the proportion of children aged 0–11 years who do not speak English as their main language at home.

(e) Data relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(f) Data are estimated from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers and relate to children aged 0–14 years.

(g) Data exclude children from multifunctional Aboriginal children's services, multifunctional children's services, Aboriginal play groups, and mobile and toy libraries.

(h) Data are estimated from the ABS 2003-04 Survey of Income and Housing and relate to children aged 0–12 years. Low income families are defined as those who received the maximum level of Child Care Benefit for the financial year. In the period during which the 2004 AGCCCS was undertaken the lower income threshold for a family with one child in care was \$31 755 per annum.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero.

Source: Australian Government Census of Child Care Services (unpublished); ABS 2003-04 Survey of Household Income and Expenditure (unpublished); ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.19.

Table 14A.2

Table 14A.2 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, New South Wales

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service (a), (b), (c)										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	310	72.1	301	69.0	298	68.8	301	69.2
Family day care	8	7.3	12	10.6	18	16.2	19	17.4	21	19.4
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care (d)	np	na	29	33.0	27	31.0	20	24.4	25	33.8
'Other' care	-	-	7	33.3	7	36.8	7	33.3	8	38.1
All services providers	8	0.8	358	37.9	353	37.6	344	37.4	355	39.3
Preschools (e)										
All preschools	482	60.6	551	69.4	536	67.9	544	70.1	544	70.6
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	8 739	7.2	10 759	9.6	9 937	9.1	9 825	9.0	10 904	10.1
Preschool services	3 545	5.2	4 426	6.6	4 171	6.5	4 202	6.6	4 672	7.4
The general community (f)	268 140	20.4	268 140	20.4	268 140	20.4	91 898	8.8	91 898	8.8
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	2 319	1.9	2 926	2.6	3 010	2.8	3 561	3.3	2 877	2.7
Preschool services (g)	1 546	2.3	1 801	2.7	1 848	2.9	1 930	3.0	1 824	2.9
The general community (h)	53 701	4.1	53 701	4.1	53 701	4.1	48 070	3.6	48 070	3.6

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Table 14A.2 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, New South Wales

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	5 260	4.3	8 674	7.7	5 999	5.5	5 935	5.4	5 465	5.0
Preschool services	3 825	5.6	6 822	10.2	4 382	6.8	4 381	6.8	4 041	6.4
The general community (i)	86 800	6.6	86 800	6.6	86 800	6.6	112 508	8.6	112 508	8.6
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	84 498	77.3	80 563	74.4
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	46 809	73.1	43 104	68.6
The general community (h)	..	..	..	..	..	..	396 343	30.0	396 343	30.0
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 093	1.0	1 201	1.1
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	764	1.2	875	1.4
The general community (h)	..	..	..	..	..	..	11 152	0.8	11 152	0.8

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Centre-based long day care services, family day care and other care services providing non-standard hours which involve service providers offering more than 10 hours on a selected day of the week.

(c) For 2000-01 data, a Monday was chosen as the reference period for determining non-standard hours. For 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04, Wednesday was chosen.

(d) Occasional care service providers offering non-standard hours which involve service provider offering more than 8 hours on a selected day of the week (Wednesday).

(e) Preschool services include only designated preschool services providing non-standard hours which involve service providers offering more than 6 hours on a selected day of the week (Wednesday).

(f) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

Table 14A.2

Table 14A.2 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, New South Wales

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

(g) Does not include 28 children that attend Indigenous Preschool, provided through the Indigenous Education Unit, Department of Education, Youth and Family Services.

(h) Data relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(i) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

na Not available. ... Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero. **np** Not published.

Source: NSW Department of Community Services (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, New South Wales, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.1.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.34.

Table 14A.3

Table 14A.3 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Victoria (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service										
Child care service providers (b)										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
All services providers	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschools (c)										
All preschools	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services (d)	285	20.0	219	20.2	269	18.5	269	15.6	335	16.0
Preschool services (e)	7 582	12.6	7 255	12.0	7 682	12.7	8 074	13.5	8 024	13.6
The general community (f)	187 416	19.9	187 416	19.9	187 416	19.9	60 415	8.0	60 415	8.0
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services (d)	12	0.8	13	1.2	3	0.2	10	0.6	6	0.3
Preschool services (e)	476	0.8	462	0.8	519	0.9	534	0.9	465	0.8
The general community (g)	10 763	1.1	10 763	1.1	10 763	1.1	9 741	1.0	9 741	1.0

Table 14A.3

Table 14A.3 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Victoria (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services (h)	33	2.3	27	2.5	25	1.7	48	2.8	55	2.6
Preschool services (e)	2 212	3.7	2 328	3.9	2 608	4.3	2 242	3.7	5 188	8.8
The general community (i)	62 400	6.6	62 400	6.6	62 400	6.6	67 873	7.2	67 873	7.2
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	17 588	29.3	18 817	31.8
The general community (j)	..	..	..	..	..	..	275 164	29.1	275 164	29.1
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	77	0.1	69	0.1
The general community (j)	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 261	0.1	1 261	0.1

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Refers to State funded ACFE services only.

(c) Victoria does not collect data on hours of care in preschool; however, it is a State Government requirement that each child is offered a minimum of ten hours of funded preschool per week.

(d) Data refer to State funded ACFE services only and are based on a low response rate of around 50 per cent. Victoria does not report on 562 TAB EFTS.

(e) Data refer to the number of children attending State funded preschool services, including those operating in centre-based long day care services.

(f) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(g) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

Table 14A.3

Table 14A.3 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Victoria (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
(h) From 2000-01 data refer to children attending funded preschools who had a developmental delay or disability. The State Government supports access and participation of approximately 9 per cent of the eligible 4-year-old children, with additional needs and developmental delay in State funded preschool programs, through 5477 packages of service through the Preschool Field Officer Program. In addition, 574 packages will be provided to support children with a severe disability.										
(i) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.										
(j) Data relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.										
na Not available. .. Not applicable. np Not published										
Source: DHS (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), <i>Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Victoria, 1998</i> , Cat. no. 4430.2.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.43.										

Table 14A.4

Table 14A.4 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Queensland (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service (c)										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	..	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
Family day care	..	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	3	7.5	na	na	-	-
Before school hours care	..	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
After school hours care	..	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
Occasional care	np	na	na	na	9	12.9	na	na	4	7.5
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	-	-
All services providers	-	-	-	-	12	9.0	-	-	4	2.9
Preschools (d)										
All preschools	na	na	11	0.8	11	1.0	na	na	na	na
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	na	na	165	8.1	140	5.3	125	8.9	139	8.4
Preschool services (e)	na	na	392	0.7	616	1.0	592	1.0	639	1.0
The general community (f)	54 390	7.1	54 390	7.1	54 390	7.1	16 606	2.7	16 606	2.7
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	na	na	460	22.7	364	13.7	195	13.8	349	21.1
Preschool services	3 040	5.1	3 183	5.3	3 286	5.4	3 469	5.6	3 454	5.6
The general community (g)	50 153	6.6	50 153	6.6	50 153	6.6	45 209	5.9	45 209	5.9

Table 14A.4

Table 14A.4 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Queensland (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	na	na	184	9.1	150	5.6	28	2.0	39	2.4
Preschool services (h)	566	0.9	514	0.9	602	1.0	888	1.4	820	1.3
The general community (i)	61 800	8.1	61 800	8.1	61 800	8.1	60 868	7.9	60 868	7.9
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	674	47.7	751	45.5
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	31 090	50.2
The general community (g)	..	..	..	..	..	..	351 342	45.6	351 342	45.6
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	386	27.3	408	24.7
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	5 243	8.5
The general community (g)	..	..	..	..	..	..	36 036	4.7	36 036	4.7

(a) Services not included in the AGCCCS.

(b) Historical data need to be used with caution. See previous reports for response rates in other years.

(c) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(d) Data for 2001-02 and 2002-03 relate to the proportion of community kindergartens and preschools associated with the Creche and Kindergarten Association offering a licensed outside kindergarten hours care program.

(e) Excludes State preschools.

(f) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Child Care Survey.

(g) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(h) State preschool students with disabilities are those students ascertained at levels 4, 5 and 6 (that is, only the highest level of disability).

Table 14A.4

Table 14A.4 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Queensland (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

(i) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

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Source: Queensland Department of Communities; Queensland Department of Education and the Arts; Creche and Kindergarten Association of Queensland (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Queensland, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.3.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.52.

Table 14A.5

Table 14A.5 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Western Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
All services providers	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na
Preschools (b)										
All preschools	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
The general community (c)	43 075	11.0	43 075	11.0	43 075	11.0	11 126	3.6	11 126	3.6
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (d), (e)	2 407	8.1	1 285	7.2	1 580	8.5	2 180	8.7	2 282	8.9
The general community (f)	25 561	6.5	25 561	6.5	25 561	6.5	22 934	5.8	22 934	5.8

Table 14A.5

Table 14A.5 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Western Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (d), (e)	674	2.3	286	1.6	426	2.3	624	2.5	793	3.1
The general community (g)	40 800	10.4	40 800	10.4	40 800	10.4	36 295	9.2	36 295	9.2
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (h)	..	..	..	..	..	..	5 875	23.5	6 214	24.2
The general community (i)	..	..	..	..	..	..	94 508	24.0	94 508	24.0
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (h)	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 488	9.9	989	3.8
The general community (i)	..	..	..	..	..	..	36 131	9.2	36 131	9.2

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Includes preschool services for younger children.

(c) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(d) Data from 2003-04 includes the non-government sector.

(e) Assumes the same ratio of disabled students and Indigenous students in the non govt system as in the government system.

(f) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(g) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

(h) Government and non-government schools with kindergarten students as at August 2004.

(i) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

Table 14A.5

Table 14A.5 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Western Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero. **np** Not published.

Source: WA Department of Education and Training (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Western Australia, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.5.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.61.

Table 14A.6

Table 14A.6 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, South Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
All services providers	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na
Preschools (b)										
All preschools	299	66.4	293	66.3	312	70.0	315	70.9	328	73.4
Participation by target groups in children's services (b), (c)										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	330	12.6	290	11.5	300	11.6	310	11.2	310	11.2
Preschool services	1 970	8.9	1 950	8.8	2 010	9.1	2 050	9.3	2 010	9.5
The general community (d)	32 053	11.2	32 053	11.2	32 053	11.2	6 886	3.0	6 886	3.0
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	150	5.7	150	6.0	160	6.2	150	5.4	150	5.4
Preschool services	1 100	5.0	1 100	5.0	1 190	5.4	1 200	5.5	1 170	5.5
The general community (e)	9 753	3.4	9 753	3.4	9 753	3.4	9 011	3.1	9 011	3.1

Table 14A.6

Table 14A.6 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, South Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in: (f)										
Child care services	350	13.4	320	12.7	390	15.1	400	14.4	420	15.1
Preschool services	3 600	16.2	3 250	14.7	3 140	14.2	3 150	14.3	3 390	16.0
The general community (g)	28 500	9.9	28 500	9.9	28 500	9.9	28 075	9.9	28 075	9.9
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	530	19.1	640	23.0
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	6 410	29.1	6 020	28.4
The general community (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	77 500	26.9	77 500	26.9
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	190	6.9	320	11.5
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 250	5.7	1 240	5.9
The general community (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	13 762	4.8	13 762	4.8

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Preschools are encouraged to offer back-to-back preschool services to assist parents in country locations who would otherwise be unable to access preschool. The take-up rate is most significant in country locations where to limit access to one session per day over four days per week would make it impractical for children who travel long distances. In these situations children generally access their preschool entitlement of four sessions over two days as opposed to the usual four half days.

(c) The number of children in special needs categories are estimates only.

(d) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(e) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(f) Children with disabilities include children identified with a range of special needs, including emotional/behavioural needs, attention deficit hyperactivity disorder, developmental delay, and other health and/or medical conditions.

Table 14A.6

Table 14A.6 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, South Australia (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

(g) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero. **np** Not published.

Source: SA Department of Education and Children's Services; ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, South Australia, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.4.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.70.

Table 14A.7

Table 14A.7 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Tasmania (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2002-03		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service (b)										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	..	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	..	na	..	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
Vacation care	np	na	-	-	na	na	na	na	-	-
Before school hours care	np	na	..	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
After school hours care	np	na	..	na	na	na	na	na	..	na
Occasional care	np	na	3	9.1	na	na	3	9.1	2	7.1
'Other' care	na	na	..	na	na	na	..	na	..	na
All services providers	-	-	3	8.6	4	na	3	8.6	2	6.7
Preschools										
All preschools	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Participation by target groups in children's services (c)										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	11	0.8	14	1.1	9	0.7	10	0.9	7	0.8
Preschool services (d)	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
The general community (e)	2 569	2.6	2 569	2.6	2 569	2.6	800	1.1	800	1.1
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	7	0.5	26	2.1	23	1.8	21	1.8	16	1.8
Preschool services (d), (f)	302	4.9	260	4.3	243	4.1	324	5.3	328	5.2
The general community (g)	6 852	7.0	6 852	7.0	6 852	7.0	6 254	6.4	6 254	6.4

Table 14A.7

Table 14A.7 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Tasmania (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2002-03		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	29	2.1	14	1.1	14	1.1	16	1.4	17	1.9
Preschool services (d)	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
The general community (h)	7 300	7.5	7 300	7.5	7 300	7.5	6 973	7.3	6 973	7.3
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	1 109	94.4	840	93.0
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	6 069	98.6	6 206	98.1
The general community (g)	..	..	..	..	..	..	95 299	97.6	95 299	97.6
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	66	5.6	63	7.0
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	89	1.4	119	1.9
The general community (g)	..	..	..	..	..	..	2 387	2.4	2 387	2.4

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Relates to child care and preschool service providers not included in the AGCCCS.

(c) Data were not available for special needs groups in 'vacation care services' for 2000-01. The figures for child care services are therefore slightly lower than would be expected.

(d) Data is for government preschools only.

(e) Data for 2001-02 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(f) Data for 2000-01 relate to Indigenous students in government preschools only.

(g) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(h) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

Table 14A.7

Table 14A.7 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Tasmania (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2002-03		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero. **np** Not published.

Source: Tasmanian Department of Education (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Tasmania, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.6.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.79.

Table 14A.8

Table 14A.8 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service (c)										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care	np	na	7	58.3	12	100.0	na	na	na	na
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
All services providers	-	-	7	58.3	12	100.0	-	na	-	na
Preschools										
All preschools	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	na
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	157	9.6	223	15.0	185	13.9	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	352	9.2	315	8.4	342	9.3	276	7.5	270	7.7
The general community (c)	8 615	13.1	8 615	13.1	8 615	13.1	1 200	2.1	1 200	2.1
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	13	0.8	7	0.5	9	0.7	na	na	na	na
Preschool services (d)	71	1.9	68	1.8	96	2.6	108	2.9	95	2.7
The general community (e)	1 490	2.3	1 490	2.3	1 490	2.3	1 390	2.1	1 390	2.1

Table 14A.8

Table 14A.8 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	19	1.2	19	1.3	19	1.4	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	226	5.9	173	4.6	151	4.1	171	4.6	183	5.2
The general community (f)	na	na	na	na	na	na	4 527	7.2	4 527	7.2
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	0.9	33	0.9
The general community (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	196	0.3	196	0.3
Remote (g)										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	..	na
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	..	na
The general community (e)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) During 2003, services funded to provide casual, permanent part time and emergency early childhood places were approved for child care benefit and will therefore be reported as a part of the Australian Government data.

(c) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(d) The figures for Indigenous children do not include 28 children that attend Indigenous Preschool, provided through the Indigenous Education Unit, Department of Education, Youth and Family Services.

(e) Data relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(f) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0–14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

(g) In the ACT there are no regions classified as remote.

Table 14A.8

Table 14A.8 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Australian Capital Territory (a), (b)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%

na Not available. .. Not applicable. – Nil or rounded to zero. np Not published.

Source: ACT Department of Education and Training and Office for Children, Youth and Family Support (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Australian Capital Territory, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.8.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.88.

Table 14A.9

Table 14A.9 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Northern Territory (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Service providers that provide non-standard hours of service										
Child care service providers										
Centre-based long day care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Family day care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Vacation care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Before school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
After school hours care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Occasional care	np	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
'Other' care	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
All services providers	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na	-	na
Preschools										
All preschools	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Participation by target groups in children's services										
Representation of children from non-English speaking backgrounds in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
The general community (b)	14 430	29.4	14 430	29.4	14 430	29.4	1 000	4.1	1 000	4.1
Representation of Indigenous children in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	1 129	33.6	1 128	35.4	1 323	39.8	1 407	43.1	1 405	39.6
The general community (c)	20 349	41.4	20 349	41.4	20 349	41.4	18 253	36.7	18 253	36.7

Table 14A.9

Table 14A.9 Access and equity indicators: Service availability during non-standard hours and participation by target groups, Northern Territory (a)

	2000-01		2001-02		2002-03		2003-04		2004-05	
	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%	no.	%
Representation of children with disabilities in:										
Child care services	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	na	na	169	5.1	191	5.9	na	na	na	na
The general community (d), (e)	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na	na
Representation of children from regional/remote areas:										
Regional										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	202	5.7
The general community (c)	..	..	..	..	..	..	24 317	48.9	24 317	48.9
Remote										
Child care services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	na	na
Preschool services	..	..	..	..	..	..	na	na	2 159	60.8
The general community (c)	..	..	..	..	..	..	25 385	51.1	25 385	51.1

(a) Data provided by states and territories complement the data collected by the AGCCCS. The Australian Government did not conduct a full AGCCCS in 2000-01. To avoid misrepresenting child care services, jurisdictions were asked to report on only those data items where the Australian Government was also able to provide data. Items for which the states and territories were not asked to provide data are marked np.

(b) Data for 2001-02 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-11 years and were obtained from the ABS 2002 Survey of Child Care.

(c) Data relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2001 and were obtained from the ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing.

(d) Data for 2000-01 to 2002-03 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 1998 and were obtained from the ABS 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. Data for 2003-04 and 2004-05 relate to children aged 0-14 years at June 2003 and were obtained from the ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

(e) No data are available for the NT due to the small sample size of the 2003 ABS Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.

na Not available. .. Not applicable. - Nil or rounded to zero. np Not published.

Source: NT Department of Family and Community Services and NT Department of Employment, Education and Training (unpublished); ABS 2001 Census of Population and Housing (unpublished); ABS (1999), *Disability, Ageing and Carers: Summary Tables, Northern Territory, 1998*, Cat. no. 4430.7.40.001, Canberra; ABS 2003 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers (unpublished); ABS 2002 Child Care Survey (unpublished); 2006 Report, table 14A.97.