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1. Pregnancy and Births

1.1.Children born low birthweight

Indicator	Low hirth weight born alive $< 2500g$
Indicator Policy Context	Low birth weight, born alive < 2500g Infants are considered low birthweight if they are born weighing less than 2,500 grams ¹ . This can be related to birth before 37 weeks of completed gestation (preterm low birthweight), growth restriction in the uterus (low birthweight for gestational age) or a combination of both ^{1,2} . Low birthweight is associated with increased risk of poor health, disability and death in infancy and, increased risk of health problems later in life ¹⁻³ . It can therefore be used as an indicator of the health of infants at birth and understood as a determinant of their ongoing wellbeing ² . The likelihood of an infant being born low birthweight because of preterm birth is increased by multiple birth (twins and higher), maternal Indigenous status, maternal smoking during pregnancy, maternal residence in remote area and maternal age (under 20 or over 40) ^{2,4} . On an individual level, low birthweight is a risk factor for physical and neurological disabilities and increased vulnerability to illness and disease throughout the lifespan ² .
	Since low birthweight is associated with a range or maternal and infant health factors it can be used to evaluate and improve pre and postnatal care for mothers and babies ^{1, 2} .
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Midwives Notification System, Department of Health Western Australia
Numerator	Babies (live born) weighing less than 2500 grams at birth
Denominator	All live births
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2. SA3. LGA. HR. RDC
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
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	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality.
Notes	Includes children born in Western Australia only

1.2.Children born to teenage mothers

Indicator	Births to mothers aged 15-19			
Policy Context	Mothers aged under 20 years are classified as teenage mothers ¹ . There are a range of risk factors associated with a maternal age under 20, for both mother and baby ¹ .			
	Young mothers are at a higher risk of social stigma and are more likely to experience barriers to engagement in education and employment ^{1,2} . They are also more likely to live in areas with low socioeconomic status, as well as in remote or regional areas ^{1,3} . Teenage mothers tend to have higher rates of smoking during pregnancy and diabetes ^{1,3} . Further, the stigma and disadvantage associated with being a young mother can exacerbate the typical challenges associated with motherhood ² .			
	The higher incidence of disadvantage and social stigma experienced by mothers of this age group is associated with a range of negative health consequences for both mother and baby ¹⁻³ . Babies born to teenage mothers are at an increased risk of morbidity and mortality ¹ . They are more likely to be born pre-term and low birthweight for gestational age and to have poorer ongoing emotional, behavioural and cognitive outcomes than their peers ¹ .			
	Though not all teenage pregnancies are unintended, many are in Australia ³ . Therefore, rates of teenage pregnancy are also related to sexual education and contraceptive use ³ .			
	The combination of these factors means that understanding teenage pregnancy rates by region has important implications for policy in a range of fields including clinical care, health promotion and education ^{2,3} . For example, prior policy recommendations regarding supporting teenage mothers and preventing unintended pregnancies include providing sufficient health education, reducing stigma and, ensuring non-judgemental and appropriate antenatal and postnatal care is accessible to young mothers ^{2,3} .			
References	 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Canberra ACT. Teenage Mothers in Australia 2015. <u>https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/mothers-babies/teenage-mothers-in-australia-2015/contents/table-of-contents</u> McArthur M, Barry E. Younger mothers: Stigma and support. ACU Canberra: Institute of Child Protection Studies Research to Practice Series. 2018; 3. <u>http://www.acu.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0011/589673/Practice_Series_3_Sept2013_YoungerMothers.pdf</u> Marino J, Lewis L, Bateson D, Hickey M, Skinner S. Teenage mothers. Australian Family Physician, 2016; 45(10):712. <u>https://www.racgp.org.au/afp/2016/october/teenage-mothers/</u> 			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Midwives Notification System,			
	Department of Health Western Australia			
Numerator	Number of live births to mothers aged 13-19 years			
Denominator				
measure				
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been			
confidentiality	suppressed.			

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	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
Notes	Includes children born in Western Australia only.

1.3.Children born to mothers aged 20-24

Indicator	Births to mothers aged 20-24			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Midwives Notification System,			
	Department of Health Western Australia			
Numerator	Number of live births to mothers aged 20-24 years			
Denominator	All live births			
Unit of measure	Per cent (%)			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been			
confidentiality	suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality.			
Notes	Includes children born in Western Australia only.			

1.4.Preterm births

Indicator	Preterm births (<37 weeks or <39 weeks)			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Midwives Notification System,			
	Department of Health Western Australia			
Numerator	Babies born alive (<37 weeks or <39 weeks)			
Denominator	All live births			
Unit of measure	Per cent (%)			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data confidentiality	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have beer suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality.			
Notes	Includes children born in Western Australia only.			

Indicator	Mothers who smoked tobacco at any time during pregnancy			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Midwives Notification System,			
	Department of Health Western Australia			
Numerator	Mothers who smoked tobacco at any time during pregnancy			
Denominator	All live births			
Unit of measure	Per cent (%)			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data confidentiality	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality.			
Notes	Includes children born in Western Australia only.			

1.5. Mothers who smoked tobacco at any time during pregnancy

2. Physical Health

2.1. Chronic conditions in children and young people

Indicator	Chronic conditions (grouped, not by diagnosis)				
Policy Context	Chronic diseases are conditions with persistent effects that usually have complex				
	causality, a long developmental period, a prolonged course and result in				
	functional impairment or disability ¹ . Examples of chronic diseases are diabetes,				
	cardiovascular conditions and respiratory diseases. Chronic diseases currently				
	pose the greatest burden of ill nealth in Australia having a significant personal				
	expenses and reduced productivity) ¹ .				
	expenses and reduced productivity)*.				
	Having a chronic condition in childhood threatens the trajectory of typical				
	development and is associated with increased risk of disability, hospitalisation,				
	premature mortality and psychological problems as well as poorer physical and psychosocial outcomes in adulthood ²⁻⁵ . Notably, the limitations that chronic				
	illness places on development (e.g. cognitive limitations, social limitations and				
	emotional distress) can impact a child's school readiness which affects their				
	academic achievement and therefore has ramifications for long term health and				
	wellbeing ³ . There is evidence that the way chronic illnesses impact the social and				
	emotional development and academic achievement of children is shared across				
	the range of conditions and their severities ^{3,6} .				
	Identifying the incidence of chronic diseases geographically can inform policy				
	that aims to improve the health outcomes of children in the state for the				
	lifespan ¹⁻³ .				
References	1. Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Canberra ACT. Chronic Disease				
	Overview. 2017 [cited 2018 May 8]. Available from:				
	https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports-statistics/health-conditions-disability-				
	 <u>deaths/chronic-disease/overview</u> Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Canberra ACT. Selected Chron Diseases Among Australian Children, 2017 [cited 2018 May 8]. Available 				
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	developmental vulnerability at school entry. Pediatrics, 2016; 137(5).				
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	Psychosocial outcome in adult life. Archives of Disease in Childhood, 2000;				
	83(2):104-10. http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/adc.83.2.104				
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	transition into adulthood. Journal of Adolescent Health. 2006: 39(1):4-13.				
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	noncategorical approach to chronic illnesses in childhood. Social Science &				
	Medicine, 1989; 29(6):769-778. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/0277-</u>				
	<u>9536(89)90157-3</u>				

Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data Collection,				
	Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population				
	estimates				
Numerator	Chronic physical illness related hospitalisations for selected age group				
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group				
Unit of	Per 10,000 population				
measure					
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC				
Data	Areas with count values 1	to 4 and where populatio	n is less than 50 have been		
confidentiality	suppressed.				
	Prior moving averages co	mbine a sequence of 3 or !	5 years of data prior to, and		
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences				
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to				
	combine more years of da	ata to maximize sample siz	e at each point while		
	maintaining data confide	ntiality.			
Notes	The HMDC includes all ep	isodes of care that occur i	n the following Western		
	Australian health services	5.			
	- Public acute hospitals				
	- Public psychiatric hospit	als			
	- Private acute hospitals (licensed by WA Health System)				
	- Private psychiatric hospitals (licensed by WA Health System				
	- Private day surgeries (licensed by WA Health System)				
	Chronic conditions identified using the following ICD classification codes:				
	CHRONIC CONDITIONS ICD-10 Codes ICD-9 Codes				
	Cardiovascular	105-109	393-398		
	Conditions	125	401-405		
		150	414		
		110-115	416		
		127, 131, 134-137, 139,	425		
		144, 145, 151	428		
		160-169	430-438		
	Cancers	C00-C96	140-195		
	*Use Cancer Registry	D37-D48	196-198		
	flag primarily	Z51.1	199		
		Z85	200-208		
			209		
			235		
			238-239		
	Diabetes	E10-E14	250		
			775.1		
	Respiratory Diseases	J45	491		
		J43	492		
		J41-J42	493		
		J44	496		
	Musculoskeletal	M08-M09	714.3		
	Diseases	M15-M19	714.4		
	M80-M85 715				

		733.00-733.09
Chronic Kidney Disease	N11	403
	N18	582
	N19	585
		590.0
Oral Diseases	КОО-К14	520-529
Chronic Otitis Media	H65.2-H65.4	381.1
	H66.1-H66.3	381.2
	H66.9	381.3
		382.1
		382.2
		382.3
		382.9

2.2. Disabilities in children and young people

Indicator	Disability related hospitalisations for selected age group (grouped, not by diagnosis)
Policy Context	A disability is defined as any impairment that impacts an individuals' daily tasks or 'core activities' (communication, self-care or mobility) and has lasted, or is likely to last, more than 6 months ¹ . Disability encompasses physical, intellectual, psychiatric, sensory and neurological conditions or a combination of these ² . The severity of a disability can range from mild (needs no help and has no difficulty with core activities but uses aids or has impairments in other areas) to profound (unable to do or always needs help with core activities) ¹ . In 2012, 7% of children aged 0-17 in Australia were experiencing disability ³ .
	Around two thirds (67%) of Australian children with a disability require assistance with daily activities (e.g. communication, mobility, self-care). Many children with disabilities have learning and social difficulties at school ⁴ . In addition to challenges faced by the child, disability impacts the entire family unit. The assistance and care (both formal and informal) of a child with disability often results in parents and/or carers having reduced income, increased expenses, poorer emotional and physical wellbeing and strained relationships ⁴ . Significant evidence has supported the effectiveness of early intervention for children with developmental disabilities ⁴ .
	Across the life span, having a disability is associated with poorer health behaviours and adverse health outcomes ⁵ . Further, disability is associated with poorer social engagement and education. These outcomes could be related directly to the disability itself or a result of limited access (due to an individual's disability) to appropriate information, services and support that foster wellbeing. People with disability have higher rates of mental illness, psychological distress, arthritis, smoking and a range of other health conditions than the general population ⁵ .
	Given the challenges and needs of children with disability and their families, understanding the proportion of children with disability in particular geographical regions can assist policy makers and service providers in decision making to improve outcomes.
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	2015. https://doi.org/10.1093/med/9780199661756.001.0001				
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids	Institute based on Hospita	I Morbidity Data Collection,		
	Department of Health Wes	stern Australia; ABS Estimat	ed Residential Population		
	estimates				
Numerator	Disability related hospitalis	sations for selected age gro	ир		
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age	group			
Unit of	Per 10,000 population				
measure					
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC				
Data	Areas with count values 1	to 4 and where population	is less than 50 have been		
confidentiality	suppressed.				
	Prior moving averages com	ibine a sequence of 3 or 5 y	ears of data prior to, and		
	including, the selected yea	r. The series are presented	as overlapping sequences		
	until the most recent year	is included. Moving average	es make it possible to		
	combine more years of dat	ta to maximize sample size	at each point while		
	maintaining data confiden	tiality.			
Notes	The HMDC includes all episodes of care that occur in the following Western				
	Australian health services:				
	- Public acute hospitals				
	- Public psychiatric hospitals				
	- Private acute hospitals (li	censed by WA Health Syste	m)		
	- Private psychiatric hospit	als (licensed by WA Health	System		
	- Private day surgeries (lice	ensed by WA Health System)		
	Disability groupings were i	dentified using the followin	g ICD classification codes:		
		ICD-9 Codes	ICD-10 Codes		
		317-319	F70-F79		
	Down syndrome	/58.0	Q90		
	Congenital	740-759 (excluding 758)	Q00-Q99 (excluding		
	malformations		Q90)		
	Cerebral palsy	343	G80		
	Autism	299.0	F84.0		
			F84.1		

2.3. Alcohol and drug related injuries in children and young people

Indicator Alcohol and other drug related injury hospitalisations for selected age group

b a h u	lcohol, tobacco and cannabis are the substances most frequently used by oung people ¹ . Common alcohol and drug related health problems experienced y young people are road traffic injuries, assault, depression and self-harm, rain damage, overdose and blood borne disease (e.g. hepatitis C) ² . These dverse health outcomes or injuries place a burden on communities and the ealth system. Young males have significantly higher rates of alcohol and drug se and related injuries than females ³ .
lr a p b s a p ir	addition to the initial injury or problem, young people admitted to hospital for loohol or other drug related injuries also have higher suicide risk than their eers ⁴ . Further, though not all alcohol and drug related injuries are experienced y people with a substance use disorder, it is reasonable to assume that a ubstantial portion are. Thus, it is relevant to note that substance use disorders re among the most common mental health disorders experienced by young eople in Australia and the fourth highest contributor to the burden of disease in this age group ^{4,5} .
T ri B a n ir ir ir a a	here is evidence that substance abuse can be reduced by addressing relevant sk factors such as early exposure to a substance or poor mental health, and by acreasing protective factors such as early patterns of healthy behaviours ^{7,8} . eing able to understand patterns of injury related to drug and alcohol use ccording to geographical area therefore has the advantage of allowing policy makers and service providers to make informed choices about targeted nerventions to improve outcomes. Using this data alongside other social formation (such an unemployment and income) could be especially important s a range of social factors are risk factors associated with alcohol and drug buse ⁸ .
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	 nsf/content/BCBF6B2C638E1202CA257A port FINAL ASSAD 7.12.pdf Department of Health, Western Australia Australia: A Review of state-wide activity Chronic Disease Prevention Directorate. Available from: https://ww2.health.wa.g publications/Injury-Prevention-in-Weste Statewide-Activity for Selected Jpium, Ar

Data source	 Australian Institute o and illicit drug use on Australian Burden of from: <u>https://www.a</u> <u>illicit-drug-use-on-bu</u> Bränström R, Sjöströr risk and protective fa adolescents. Europea <u>https://doi.org/10.10</u> Hawkins JD, Catalano and other drug proble for substance abuse p <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.</u> 	f Health and Welfare. Canberra ACT. Impact of alcohol the burden of disease and injury in Australia: Disease Study 2011. [cited 2018 May 29]. Available ihw.gov.au/reports/burden-of-disease/impact-alcohol- rden-disease/contents/table-of-contents m E, Andréasson S. Individual, group and community ctors for alcohol and drug use among Swedish in Journal of Public Health, 2007; 18(1):12-8. 193/eurpub/ckm038 RF, Miller JY. Risk and protective factors for alcohol ems in adolescence and early adulthood: Implications prevention. Psychological Bulletin, 1992; 112(1):64. 1037/0033-2909.112.1.64
	Department of Health West estimates	stern Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population
Numerator	Alcohol and other drug rel	ated injury hospitalisations for selected age group
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age	group
Unit of	Per 10,000 population	
measure		
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC	
Data	Areas with count values 1	to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	Prior moving averages con including, the selected yea until the most recent year combine more years of da maintaining data confiden	nbine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and r. The series are presented as overlapping sequences is included. Moving averages make it possible to ta to maximize sample size at each point while tiality.
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	- Public psychiatric hospita	ls
	- Private acute hospitals (li	censed by WA Health System)
	- Private psychiatric hospit	als (licensed by WA Health System
	- Private day surgeries (lice	ensed by WA Health System)
	Alcohol and other drug rel classification codes:	ated injuries were identified using the following ICD
	ICD-9 Codes	ICD-10 Codes
	305.0	E24.4
	291	F10
	303	G31.2
	357.5	G62.1
	425.5	G72.1
	535.3	142.1
	571.0	К29.2
	571.1	К70
	571.2	К85.2
	571.3	К86.0

760.71	035.4
790.3	P04.3
E860	Q86.0
E950.9	R78.0
V57.89	Т50.6
V57.9	T51
V65.42	X45
V79.1	X65
V70.4	Y15
V11.3	Y90
V15.9	Z50.2
255 AND E860	Z71.4
255 AND 305.0	272.1
255 AND 303	G40.5
331.7 AND 303	Z04.0
359.4 AND E860	Z86.4
577.0 AND E860	
577.1 AND E860	
655.4 AND E860	
655.4 AND 303	
E980.5 AND 303	
E980.5 AND 305.0	
E980.9 AND 303	
E980.9 AND 305.0	

2.4. Hospitalisations for children and young people (various types)

Indicator	Type of hospitalisation by selected age group			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data			
	Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential			
	Population estimates			
Numerator	Total hospitalisations by type for selected age group			
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group			
Unit of measure	Per 10,000 population			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been			
confidentiality	suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and			
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences			
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to			
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while			
	maintaining data confidentiality.			
Notes	The HMDC includes all episodes of care that occur in the following Western			
	Australian health services:			
	- Public acute hospitals			
	- Public psychiatric hospitals			
	- Private acute hospitals (licensed by WA Health System)			

- Private psychiatric hospitals (licensed by WA Health System
- Private day surgeries (licensed by WA Health System)

3. Mental Health

3.1.Menta	l illness diag	noses in o	children	and	young	people
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Indicator	Mental health related hospitalisations for selected age group			
Policy Context	A mental illness is a clinically diagnosable disorder that impairs an individuals'			
	cognitive, emotional and/or social abilities ¹ . There are various types and			
	severities of mental illnesses.			
	In a large-scale survey conducted in 2015, 13.9% of Australian children aged			
	between 4 and 17 were assessed as having had a mental health disorder in the			
	last 12 months ² . The most common mental illnesses in children and adolescents			
	were ADHD, anxiety disorders, major depressive disorder and conduct			
	disorders ⁻ . These linesses place a significant personal burden on individuals in			
	in this age group should also be understood as an important indicator of future			
	health and demand for services because various studies have shown that many			
	adults with mental illnesses had their first onset of symptoms in childhood.			
	Mental health is related to a range of social factors such as economic			
	disadvantage, poor housing, a lack of social support and access to health			
	services ² . As such, understanding the proportion of mental illness in young			
	people by geographical area can be utilised to ensure policy and services are			
	meeting the needs of young people in their communities. Examining proportions			
	of mental illness alongside other demographic factors (e.g. unemployment) for			
	certain geographic areas can help policy makers and providers understand			
	where mental lilness in young people could be better addressed.			
References	1. Australian Government: Department of Health. 1.4 - National Mental			
-	Health Plan 2003-2008. [cited 2018 Jun 4]. Available from:			
	http://www.health.gov.au/internet/publications/publishing.nsf/Content/m			
	ental-pubs-n-infopri2-toc~mental-pubs-n-infopri2-pt1~mental-pubs-n-			
	infopri2-pt1-4			
	2. Australian Bureau of Statistics. Canberra ACT. 4326.0 - National Survey of			
	Mental Health and Wellbeing: Summary of Results. 2007 [cited 2018 Jun 4].			
	Available from: <u>http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/4326.0</u>			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data Collection,			
	ostimatos			
Numerator	Mental health related hospitalisations for selected age group			
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group			
Unit of	Per 10,000 population			
measure				
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been			
confidentiality	suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and			
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences			
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to			

	combine more years	s of data to maximize sample size at each point while	
	maintaining data co	nfidentiality.	
Notes	The HMDC includes all episodes of care that occur in the following Western		
	Australian health services:		
	- Public acute hospit	als	
	- Public psychiatric h	ospitals	
	- Private acute hospi	itals (licensed by WA Health System)	
	- Private psychiatric	hospitals (licensed by WA Health System	
	- Private day surgeri	es (licensed by WA Health System)	
	Mental illness diagn	oses were identified using the following ICD classification	
	codes:		
	ICD-9 Codes	ICD-10 Codes	
	290–319	F01-F99	
	E950-E959	R44-R46	
	E980-E989	R48	
	V11	X60-X84	
	V15.4	Y10-Y34	
	V40	Z00.4	
	V58.6	Z03.2	
	V60-V62	Z04.6	
	V65.42	Z09.3	
	V66.3	Z13.3	
	V67.3	Z50.2	
	V69.5	Z50.3	
	V69.8	Z50.4	
	V70.1	Z54.3	
	V70.2	Z56	
	V71.0	Z59-Z65	
	V79	270	
		271.4	
		Z71.5	
		Z71.6	
		Z71.9	
		272	
		273	
		Z86.4	
		Z86.5	
		Z91.4	
		Z91.5	
		Z91.8	

3.2. Births to mothers with a mental illness diagnosis

Indicator	Births to mothers with a mental illness diagnosis		
Policy Context	A mental illness is a clinically diagnosable disorder that impairs an individuals' cognitive, emotional and/or social abilities ¹ . There are various types and severities of mental illnesses. It is estimated that around half of the Australian adult population will experience a mental illness in their lifetime and that approximately 1 in 5 adults have experienced a mental illness in the last 12 months ² .		
	The most common mental illnesses experienced by mothers in this period are major depression, bipolar disorder and anxiety disorders ³ . Children whose mothers have a perinatal mental health disorder (22 completed weeks of gestation to 1 year after birth) are at increased risk of developmental and psychological disturbances such as; depression and anxiety, emotional regulation problems, poorer social behaviour, insecure attachment, increased behaviour problems and impaired physical and cognitive development ^{3,4} . This likely results from a combination of genetic inheritance and environmental risk factors associated with a parent having a mental illness ^{5, 6} .		
	In addition to biological and psychological factors, mental health is related to a range of social factors such as economic disadvantage, poor housing, a lack of social support and access to health services ² . Therefore, understanding the number of births to mothers with a mental illness in particular geographic regions, especially when examined alongside information about social factors, can inform policy to help improve perinatal mental health care.		
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data Collection, Mental Health Information Data Collection, and Midwives Notification System, Department of Health Western Australia		
Numerator	Live births to mothers who had a mental illness diagnosis 12 months prior to, or 12 months post, the child's birth		
Denominator	All live births		

Z71.6
Z71.9
272
Z73
Z86.4
Z86.5
Z91.4
Z91.5
Z91.8

3.3. Substance abuse disorders in children and young people

Indicator Substance abuse disorder related hospitalisations for sele	cted age group
Policy Context A substance abuse disorder involves a pattern of substan	ce use that results in an
impairment or distress in daily activities ¹ . For example, in	dividuals with a
substance abuse disorder commonly have repeatedly fail	ed to stop using the
substance, used more than planned, experienced craving	for or withdrawal from
the substance and/or, continued to use a substance desp	ite its negative impact
on their lives ¹ . 'Substance' can refer to: alcohol, caffeine,	cannabis,
hallucinogens, inhalants, opioids, sedatives, hypnotics, ar	xiolytics, stimulants,
tobacco, and other or unknown substances ¹ . Alcohol, tob	acco and cannabis are
the substances most frequently used by young people ² .	
Substance abuse disorders are among the most common	mental health disorders
experienced by young people in Australia and the fourth	nighest contributor to
the burden of disease in this age group ^{3,4} .	
There is evidence that substance abuse can be reduced b	addressing relevant
risk factors such as early exposure to a substance or poor	mental health, and by
increasing protective factors such as early patterns of hea	lthy behaviours ^{5,6} .
Being able to understand rates of substance abuse disord	er within geographical
area therefore has the advantage of allowing policy make	rs and service providers
to make informed choices when working to improve outo	omes. Using this data
alongside other social information (such an unemployme	nt and income) could be
especially important as a range of social factors are risk fa	ctors associated with
alcohol and drug abuse [°] .	
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Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition (DSM-5 [®]). American	Psychiatric Pub; 2013.
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alcohol, and over-the counter and illicit substances i	n 2011. Cancer Council
of Victoria, 2012. Available from:	
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burden of disease in young people aged 10-24 years	: A systematic analysis.
The Lancet, 2011; 377(9783): 2093-2102. <u>https://do</u>	i.org/10.1016/S0140-
<u>6736(11)60512-6</u>	
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and illicit drug use on the burden of disease and inju	ry in Australia:
Australian Burden of Disease Study 2011. Available f	rom:
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drug-use-on-burden-disease/contents/table-of-cont	<u>ents</u>
5. Bränström R, Sjöström E, Andréasson S. Individual, g	roup and community
risk and protective factors for alcohol and drug use a	mong Swedish
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Hawking ID, Catalana PE, Miller IV, Bick and protecti	vo factors for alcohol
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for substance abuse prevention. Psychological Bullet	aarriooa. Impiications
	in 1992.112(1).64

Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population estimates
Numerator	Substance abuse disorder related hospitalisations for selected age group
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group
Unit of	Per 10,000 population
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
Notes	The HMDC includes all episodes of care that occur in the following Western
	Australian health services:
	- Public acute hospitals
	- Public psychiatric hospitals
	- Private acute hospitals (licensed by WA Health System)
	- Private psychiatric hospitals (licensed by WA Health System
	- Private day surgeries (licensed by WA Health System)
	Substance abuse disorder related hospitalisations were identified using the
	following ICD classification codes:
	ICD-9 Codes ICD-10 Codes
	291 F10-F19
	292 F55
	303-305

3.4. Emergency Department presentations that were mental health related in children and young people

Indicator	Emergency Department presentations that were mental health related in children and young people	
Policy Context	Mental health disorders are the most common chronic conditions experienced by young people in the developed world and are a significant burden to public health in Australia ^{1,2} . Additionally, many mental health disorders of adulthood have their onset in childhood or adolescence ³ .	
	In recent years, the number of young people presenting to emergency departments with mental health conditions has steadily increased ⁴ . The most common nature of presentation is for intentional self-harm ⁴ . Other common presentations are for substance abuse, and mood, behavioural, or emotional disorders ⁴ .	
	Understanding the proportion of paediatric presentations to ED that are because of mental health has important implications for policy and service delivery ⁴ . Geographic statistics can provide insight into where hospitals need to be better equipped to effectively deal with mental health presentations and where non- hospital services have not been sufficient to meet the needs of individuals experiencing mental health conditions. They can also indicate where mental health and health service education may be lacking, leading individuals to present to an emergency department rather than an alternative service that may be better suited to their needs.	
	Understanding the prevalence of mental health emergency department presentations in young people is therefore useful for informing effective policy to improve the outcomes of young people across the state.	
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Emergency Department Data	
	Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population estimates.	
Numerator	Number of presentations to public and private Emergency Departments with a	
	primary presenting mental health condition for selected age group	
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group	

Unit of	Per 10,000 population
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
Notes	The EDDC captures data relating to services provided to patients within public
	hospital emergency departments, contracted health entities and emergency
	services provided in smaller hospitals without a designated ED. The collection
	excludes episodes of non-admitted patient care provided in outpatient clinics or
	hospital inpatient departments.
	Presentation deemed to be mental health related if any of the following mental
	health-related diagnostic codes were recorded:
	ICD-9 Codes ICD-10 Codes
	290–319 F01-F99
	E950-E959

3.5. Emergency Department presentations for deliberate self-harm in children and young people

Indicator	Emergency Department presentations for deliberate self-harm in children and young people	
Policy Context	Mental health disorders are the most common chronic conditions experienced by young people in the developed world and are a significant burden to public health in Australia ^{1,2} . In recent years, the number of young people presenting to emergency departments with mental health conditions has steadily increased ³ . The most common nature of presentation is for deliberate self-harm ³ .	
	Deliberate self-harm refers to an intentional act of causing physical injury to oneself, without the intention for the injury to cause death ⁴ . However, deliberate self-harm can lead to accidental fatality ⁴ . Presentations to Emergency Departments for deliberate self-harm may indicate more life-threatening forms of self-injury. There is also an increased risk of completed suicide following presentation to hospital for deliberate self-harm ⁵ .	
	Understanding the proportion of paediatric presentations to ED that are because of deliberate self-harm has important implications for policy and service delivery ³ . Geographic statistics can provide insight into where outpatient mental health services may need to focus prevention and intervention efforts to meet the needs of individuals experiencing acute mental illness, particularly around the prevention of suicide.	
	Understanding the prevalence of deliberate self-harm emergency department presentations in young people is therefore useful for informing effective policy to improve the outcomes of young people across the state.	
References	 Erskine H, Moffitt T, Copeland W, Costello E, Ferrari A, Patton G et al. A heavy burden on young minds: The global burden of mental and substance use disorders in children and youth. Psychological Medicine, 2015; 45(7):1551-63. <u>https://doi.org/10.1017/S0033291714002888</u> 	
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	 Lauw M, How CH, Loh C. Deliberate self-harm in adolescents. Singapore Medical Journal. 2015;56(6):306-309. <u>https://doi.org./10.11622/smedj.2015087</u> 	
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Emergency Department Data Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population estimates.	

Numerator	Number of presentations to public and private	e Emergency De	epartments with a
	primary presenting self-inflicted injury for sele	ected age group)
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group		
Unit of	Per 10,000 population		
measure			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC		
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where pop	ulation is less tl	han 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.		
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of including, the selected year. The series are preuntil the most recent year is included. Moving combine more years of data to maximize sami maintaining data confidentiality.	3 or 5 years of esented as over averages make ple size at each	data prior to, and lapping sequences it possible to point while
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	Description	ICD-9	ICD-10
	Self-harm	E950-E958	X60-X84
	Sequelae of intentional self-harm	E959	Y87.0
	Personal history of self-harm	V15.4	Z91.5
	Suicidal ideations	V62.8	R45.8
	Event of undetermined event	Е980-Е988	Y10-Y34
	Sequelae of events of undetermined intent	E989	Y87.2
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3.6. Community mental health service contacts

Indicator	Community mental health service contacts for selected age group (excluding
	not present)
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Hospital Morbidity Data
	Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential
	Population estimates
Numerator	Community mental health service contacts for selected age group (excluding
	not present)
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group
Unit of measure	Per 1,000 population

Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
Notes	The MIND collects demographic and clinical information on patients who have:
	 Community mental health episodes or service contacts
	- Admitted episodes with specialised mental health inpatient services
	- National Outcome Casemix Collection (NOCC) data for patients who have
	community, admitted or residential episodes in public specialised mental
	health services

4. Early Development

4.1.Children developmentally vulnerable or at risk on the Australian Early Development Census domains

Indicator Children 'developmentally vulnerable' or 'at-risk' on selected domain Policy Context The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a national measure of e childhood development, collected for children commencing their first year compulsory education (Pre-Primary in Western Australia) ¹ . Since 2009, the	
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	AEDC
has been collected every three years across public, private, and independe	nt
schools in Australia ^{1, 2} .	
All children included in the AEDC are scored on five domains of developme that are associated with predictors of good social, health and educational outcomes into adulthood ¹ . These domains are 1) Physical health and wellbe 2) Social competence, 3) Emotional maturity, 4) Language and cognitive ski and 5) Communication skills and general knowledge ^{1, 2} . These domains of development are considered to provide a snapshot of a child's level of scho readiness, which is an important predictor of ongoing educational and occupational achievement ^{3,4} . Children are classified as 'developmentally vulnerable' on a domain if they score below the 10 th percentile (based on national data), and 'developmentally at risk' on a domain if they score betw the 11 th and 25 th percentile ¹ . Hence 'developmentally vulnerable or at risk	nt eing, Ils ool veen
comprises children who scored on the 25 th percentile or below.	
Fostering the different areas of early development connected to each of the	e five
domains may require differing policies and services. The AEDC data on developmental vulnerability across each of the five domains can therefore used as an indicator of the wellbeing of children in a given region and used inform policy and planning to improve health and education outcomes ^{1, 2} .	be to
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Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA
Data	# AEDC data are not reported for locations in which three or fewer children had
confidentiality	been assessed.
	* Suppression of AEDC data occurs when one or more of the following have not
	been met:
	 Fewer than fifteen children in an area had valid AEDC scores;
	- Fewer than two teachers had completed AEDC instruments for children in that
	location;
	- AEDC instruments were completed for less than 80% of all non 'special needs'
	children
	Additional minor suppressions have occurred where necessary to preserve
	confidentiality of related suppressed cells.
Notes	Indicators are available for each of the five AEDC domains.

4.2. Developmental vulnerability on 1 or more/2 or more Australian Early Development Census domains

Indicator	Children 'developmentally vulnerable' or 'at-risk' on one or more/ two or more AEDC domain/s
Policy Context	The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a national measure of early childhood development, collected for children commencing their first year of compulsory education (Pre-Primary in Western Australia) ¹ . Since 2009, the AEDC has been collected every three years across public, private, and independent schools in Australia ^{1, 2} .
	All children included in the AEDC are scored on five domains of development that are associated with predictors of good social, health and educational outcomes into adulthood ¹ . These domains are (1) Physical health and wellbeing, (2) Social competence, (3) Emotional maturity, (4) Language and cognitive skills and (5) Communication skills and general knowledge ^{1, 2} . These domains of development are considered to provide a snapshot of a child's level of school readiness, which is an important predictor of ongoing educational and occupational achievement ^{3,4} . Children are classified as 'developmentally vulnerable' on a domain if they score below the 10 th percentile (based on national data) ¹ .
	The overall number of children who are developmentally vulnerable on any one or more/2 or more of the five domains can act as an indicator of how well early childhood development is being supported generally in a region. The AEDC data on children who are developmentally vulnerable across any one or more/2 or more of five domains can therefore be used as an indicator of the health and wellbeing of children in each region and used to inform policy and planning to improve outcomes ^{1, 2} .
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Early Development
Numerator	Census data Children 'developmentally vulnerable' or 'at-risk' on one or more/ two or more AEDC domain/s
Denominator	Children with a valid AEDC score on selected domain
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA

Data	# AEDC data are not reported for locations in which three or fewer children had
confidentiality	been assessed.
	* Suppression of AEDC data occurs when one or more of the following have not
	been met:
	- Fewer than fifteen children in an area had valid AEDC scores;
	- Fewer than two teachers had completed AEDC instruments for children in that
	location;
	- AEDC instruments were completed for less than 80% of all non 'special needs'
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4.3. Developmentally 'on track' on the Australian Early Development Census domains

Indicator	Children developmentally on track on selected domain		
Policy Context	The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a national measure of early		
	childhood development, collected for children commencing their first year of		
	compulsory education (Pre-Primary in Western Australia) ¹ . Since 2009, the AEDC		
	has been collected every three years across public, private, and independent		
	schools in Australia ^{1, 2} .		
	All children included in the AEDC are scored on five domains of development that are associated with predictors of good social, health and educational outcomes into adulthood ¹ . These domains are (1) Physical health and wellbeing, (2) Social competence, (3) Emotional maturity, (4) Language and cognitive skills and (5) Communication skills and general knowledge ^{1, 2} . These domains of development are considered to provide a snapshot of a child's level of school readiness, which is an important predictor of ongoing educational and occupational achievement ^{3, 4} . Children are classified as 'developmentally vulnerable' on a domain if they score below the 10 th percentile (based on national data) ¹ . Children are classified as developmentally 'on track' if they score above the 25 th percentile (based on national data) on each of the five domains ¹ . The overall number of children who are developmentally on track across all five domains can act as an indicator of how well early childhood development is being supported generally across the state. The AEDC data on children who are developmentally on track can therefore be used as an indicator of the health and wellbeing of children in a given region and used to inform policy and planning to improve outcomes ^{1, 2} .		
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Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Early Development		
	Census data		
Numerator	Children developmentally on track on selected domain		
Denominator	Children with a valid AEDC score on selected domain		
Unit of	Per cent (%)		
measure			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA		

Data confidentiality	# AEDC data are not reported for locations in which three or fewer children had been assessed.
	* Suppression of AEDC data occurs when one or more of the following have not been met:
	- Fewer than fifteen children in an area had valid AEDC scores;
	- Fewer than two teachers had completed AEDC instruments for children in that
	location:
	- AEDC instruments were completed for less than 80% of all non 'special needs' children
	Additional minor suppressions have occurred where necessary to preserve confidentiality of related suppressed cells.
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4.4. Attendance at preschool program (children aged 4 and 5 years)

Indicator	Children attending preschool program for 15 hours or more		
Policy Context	Educational institutions for children aged 0-4 years are structured, play-based		
	learning programs delivered by degree-qualified teachers for children in the		
	years leading up to full-time schooling ¹ . Preschool participation increases school		
	readiness, which is associated with better ongoing educational attainment and		
	achievement as well as life outcomes more generally ²⁻⁴ . Children from		
	disadvantaged families are less likely to be enrolled in preschool and tend to		
	nave lower attendance rates".		
	Given the association between educational attainment and health outcomes		
	across the lifespan, preschool participation levels can be used as an early		
	indicator of child development and vulnerability to poor health outcomes.		
	Therefore, it can be utilised by policy makers to reveal where children may be at		
	risk of having poorer outcomes and to allocate resources and services to areas		
	where they may be required to ensure healthy child development.		
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	paper-march-2018.pdf		
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, ABS		
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Numerator	Children attending preschool program for 15 hours or more		
Denominator	Por cont (%)		
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Geography	SA2 SA3 LGA HR RDC		
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the		
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or		
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.		

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5. Mortality

5.1.Infant Mortality

Indicator	Infant Mortality
Policy Context	Infant mortality refers to the number of deaths of infants (aged 0-1) in any given year per 1000 live births ¹ . The most common causes of death before one year of age are conditions originating in the perinatal period and congenital conditions ² . Other common causes of death in this period are Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, injury and accidental threats to breathing ² .
	Known risks associated with incidence of infant mortality include social and economic factors such as low income, unemployment, teenage motherhood, and mother's education ^{3,4} . As such, infant mortality can be used as an indicator of the general wellbeing of a population and as an indicator of the accessibility, quality, and performance of the health system in maternal and perinatal health ⁵ .
	As infant mortality is associated with both social and economic factors and healthcare quality and access it can be used by policy makers and health providers to give insight into the health of mothers and babies as well as the broader population in a region. Therefore, combined with other factors, infant mortality can be used to inform policy, strategy and intervention to support child health and development.
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	Marriages, Department of Health Western Australia
Numerator	Number of deaths for children aged under 1 year
Denominator	Total live births
Unit of	Per 1,000 live births
measure	
Geography	SA3, HR, RDC

Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
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5.2. Child mortality

Indicator	Child mortality (all causes)				
Policy Context	Child mortality refers to the number of deaths of children in any given year per				
-	00,000 population. The primary causes of mortality vary between different				
	stages of childhood.				
	The majority of deaths between the ages of 0 and 5 years of age occur within				
	first year of life, with the highest rick of death being in the first month ⁴ . The main				
	causes of death between the ages of 0 and 5 years include conditions originating				
	in the perinatal period, congenital diseases. Sudden Infant Death Syndrome				
	injury related to traffic accidents, drowning and accidental threats to breathing				
	and cancer $\frac{1}{2}$				
	In addition to the personal consequences of the death of a child on individuals in				
	Western Australian communities, child mortality can be used as an indicator of				
	the health of a population due to its association with a range of social and				
	economic factors ^{2, 4, 5} . Child mortality is associated with social and economic				
	disadvantage, access to nearth care, nutrition, hygiene, sanitation, maternal				
	and immunication programs ^{2, 4, 5}				
	Child mortality is an important indicator for health providers and policy makers				
	to inform policy, strategy, and intervention, providing insight into the health of				
	young children as well as the broader population ¹ . The importance of child				
	mortality statistics is amplified by the knowledge that many of the causes of				
	death in this period, such as traffic accidents or accidental drowning, are				
	preventable ¹ .				
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	https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/children-youth/making-progress-the-				
	health-development-and-wellb/contents/table-of-contents				

Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Registry of Births, Deaths, and
	Marriages, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential
	Population estimates.
Numerator	Number of deaths for children aged 0-4 years
Denominator	Total ERP aged 0-4 years
Unit of	Per 100,000 population 0-4 year olds
measure	
Geography	SA3, HR, RDC
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been
confidentiality	suppressed.
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and
	including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences
	until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to
	combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while
	maintaining data confidentiality.
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5.3. Suicide rate

Indicator	Number of deaths by deliberate self-harm for persons aged 15-24 years			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Registry of Births, Deaths,			
	and Marriages, Department of Health Western Australia			
Numerator	Number of deaths by deliberate self-harm	for persons ag	ed 15-24 years	
Denominator	Total ERP aged 15-24 years			
Unit of	number of deaths by suicide per 100,000	population 15-2	24 year olds	
measure				
Geography	SA3, HR, RDC			
Data	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have			
confidentiality	been suppressed.			
Notes	 Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality. Deaths deemed to be deliberate self-harm if any of the following ICD codes were recorded as a Cause of Death code: 			
	Description	ICD-9	ICD-10	
	Self-harm	E950-E958	X60-X84	
	Sequelae of intentional self-harm	E959	Y87.0	
	Personal history of self-harm	V15.4	Z91.5	
	Suicidal ideations	V62.8	R45.8	

Event of undetermined event	E980-E988	Y10-Y34
Sequelae of events of undetermined intent	E989	Y87.2

6. Demographic and Social

6.1.Low-income households

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Indicator	Households with total income < \$1000 per week
Policy Context	Low income households are households that are in the lowest 18% of equivalised disposable household income (EDHI) ¹ . EDHI refers to the amount of money, after tax and other deductions, which is available; divided by the number of household members converted to equivalised adults (weighted according to age) ¹ . It is used as an indicator of the economic resources available to a household ¹ .
	Low income is an important social determinant of health and wellbeing, and a good indicator of disadvantage (a significant risk factor for poorer health outcomes throughout the lifespan) ²⁻⁴ . Low income acts as a health determinant because it can negatively impact a range of living and working conditions like housing standards, access to quality healthcare, availability nutritious food, educational attainment, exposure to stress and options for healthy pursuits such as sports clubs ⁴⁻⁶ . Further, children from low income households can have lower school readiness (associated with poorer health outcomes across the lifespan) due to financial stress impacting family relationships and reduced family ability to invest in advantageous experiences such as preschool or playgroups ⁷ .
	Further, low income households tend to be concentrated in particular suburbs and neighbourhoods ⁸ . The accumulation of people living with fewer financial resources in particular geographical areas can further exacerbate disadvantage as these areas tend to have less community resources, reduced neighbourhood safety, poorer services (e.g. education, health care, public transport) and lower social cohesion ⁸ .
	Considering the relationship between child development and disadvantage, understanding which areas of the state have a greater proportion of low income households can guide policy and strategy to invest in the improvement of the living conditions of children to improve public health across the lifespan ⁶ .
References	 Australian Bureau of statistics. Canberra ACT. Household Income and Income Distribution Australia 2015-16, cat. no.6523.0. 2017. Available from: <u>http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Lookup/by%20Subject/6523.0~20</u> <u>15-16~Main%20Features~Key%20Findings~1</u> Tough P. Helping children succeed: What works and why. Random House; 2016. [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: <u>http://www.paultough.com/helping/pdf/Helping-Children-Succeed-Paul- Tough.pdf?pdf=hcs-pdf-web</u> Zubrick S, Williams A, Silburn S, Vimpani G. Indicators of Social and Family Functioning. Commonwealth of Australia; Department of Family and Community Services. 2000. Available from:
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	reports/247
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,
	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	Households with total income < \$1000 per week
Denominator	Total households
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or columns
	to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
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6.2. Occupied private dwellings with internet

Indicator	Private dwellings with Internet connection
Policy Context	Private dwellings are classified as having no internet connection if no individual in the house has access to the internet though any device (including a mobile or smart phone) ¹ . Low income households and those located in non-metropolitan or regional areas are less likely to have access to the internet ¹ .
	In contemporary society having access to the internet means greater access to social connections as well as material and social resources. This includes access to health services and health information as well as other resources and social connections that contribute to health and wellbeing (such as education institutions and support networks) ^{1,2} . As such, not having an internet connection in the home is considered an indicator of disadvantage because it signals a lack of resources or ability to participate fully in society ^{1,2} .
	Disadvantage is a significant risk factor for poorer health outcomes for children both in early development and throughout the lifespan ^{3,4} . Further, as the internet functions as a primary source of information and social connection, parents who do not have internet connection may not.
	In light of the relationship between child development and disadvantage, understanding which areas have a greater proportion of households experiencing disadvantage, through indicators such as internet connection, can guide policy and strategy to ensure areas that may require additional support to foster child development receive it.
References	 Australian Bureau of statistics. Canberra ACT. Household use of Information Technology, 2016-17, cat. no. 8146.0. 2018 [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/mf/8146.0 Australian Bureau of Statistics. Census of Population and Housing: Socio- Economic Indexes for Areas (SEIFA), Australia, 2011, cat. no. 2033.0.55.001 http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Lookup/2033.0.55.001main+fea tures100052011 Tough P. Helping children succeed: What works and why. Random House; 2016. [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: http://www.paultough.com/helping/pdf/Helping-Children-Succeed-Paul- Tough.pdf?pdf=hcs-pdf-web Zubrick S, Williams A, Silburn S, Vimpani G. Indicators of Social and Family Functioning. Commonwealth of Australia; Department of Family and Community Services. 2000 [cited 2018 Jun 11]. Available from: https://www.dss.gov.au/sites/default/files/documents/indicators_of_social and_family_functioning_full_report.pdf
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics, Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	Private dwellings with Internet
Denominator	Total private dwellings
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data confidentiality	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.

Notes	Data only presented from the 2016 Census

6.3.Unemployment

Indicator	Unemployed persons for selected age group
Policy Context	Individuals are classified as unemployed if they have not worked more than one hour in the reference week; have actively looked for work in the past 4 weeks; and, are available to start work in the reference week ¹ . People who are unemployed are less likely to have an adequate income and more likely to have poor health and wellbeing outcomes and higher stress ^{2,3} . Parental unemployment (and the related consequences for parent health) is also associated with poorer health outcomes for children such as higher rates of chronic illness, psychosomatic symptoms, and psychological problems throughout their lifespan ⁴⁻⁶ .
	Unemployment is also considered an indicator of household disadvantage which is a significant risk factor for poorer health outcomes for children both in development and throughout the lifespan ^{7,8} . There are a range of socioeconomic factors that connect disadvantage to poorer health outcomes ⁸ . These include direct causes such as exposure to more pollution or poor housing, as well as more indirect pathways such as higher social acceptability of poor health behaviours including smoking, fast food consumption or violence; lower educational attainment; and greater exposure to stressors ^{9,10} .
	Further, disadvantage tends to be concentrated in particular suburbs and neighbourhoods ¹¹ . The accumulation of people living with fewer resources in particular geographical areas can further exacerbate disadvantage as these areas tend to have less community resources, reduced neighbourhood safety, poorer services (e.g. education, health care, public transport) and lower social cohesion ¹¹ .
	As unemployment is related to parent and child health it is an important factor to consider in relation to child development. Rates of unemployment can inform policy makers and services of areas where lifestyle factors and disadvantage may be having an adverse impact on child development and assist them to distribute resources appropriately.
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Data source	<u>Attps://www.anuri.edu.au/research/final-reports/24/</u> Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics
Dutu source	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	Unemployed persons for selected age group
Denominator	Total persons for selected age group
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
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6.4. Proficiency in Spoken English

Indicator	Children who don't speak English well or not at all, by selected age group
Policy Context	Households are classified as having a main language other than English spoken
	at home if the primary language of communication between residents and
	regular visitors is one other than English (including sign language) ¹ . Having a
	main language other than English spoken at home can be an indicator of lower
	English proficiency and understanding ¹ .
	In Australia, having low English proficiency and understanding can limit a
	person's ability to effectively participate in society (including accessing support,
	social networks, and services), which affects all members of the household and is
	a social determinant of health ^{1,2} . Further, people who speak a main language
	other than English can be reluctant to access health services due to cultural
	difference, experiences or perceptions of discrimination and concerns about
	misunderstanding, leading to disparities in health".
	Children from culturally and linguistically diverse households can also have lower
	school readiness than their peers because of lower English proficiency in
	learning or conversation and increased vulnerability to bullying ⁴ . School
	readiness is extremely important due to its association with ongoing academic
	achievement and me outcomes .
	Therefore, geographical areas that have a high proportion of households
	speaking a main language other than English in the home can be understood as
	vulnerable to having poorer child development outcomes. Accordingly,
	Information about nome language statistics and child development can be used
	ensure children from culturally and linguistically diverse households have
	appropriate resources and services to support good health and development
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	English%20Spoken%20at%20Home~4
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	knowledge of accessibility and utilisation of health services: Exploring the
	need for improvement in health service delivery. Australian Journal of
	Primary Health, 2011; 17(2):195-201. https://doi.org/10.1071/PY10065
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,
	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	Selected age group who don't speak English well or not at all
Denominator	Total persons for selected age group

Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
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6.5.Year 12 or equivalent highest year of school completed

Indicator	20-24 year olds with Year 12 or equivalent highest year of school completed
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,
	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	20-24 year olds with Year 12 or equivalent highest year of school completed
Denominator	Total persons aged 20-24 years
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
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6.6.Overcrowded dwellings

Indicator	Overcrowded dwellings
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,
	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	Dwellings requiring extra bedrooms to accommodate the people who usually
	live there
Denominator	Total private dwellings
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
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6.7.One parent families with children under 15 years old

Indicator	One parent families with children under 15 and/or dependent students
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,
	Census of Population and Housing
Numerator	One parent families with children under 15 and/or dependent students

Denominator	Total families
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.
Notes	

6.8.One parent families with non-dependent children only

Indicator	One parent families with nondependent children only			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Bureau of Statistics,			
	Census of Population and Housing			
Numerator	One parent families with nondependent children only			
Denominator	Total families			
Unit of	Per cent (%)			
measure				
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	The ABS applies small random adjustments to all cell values to protect the			
confidentiality	confidentiality of data. These adjustments may cause the sum of rows or			
	columns to differ by small amounts from the table totals.			
Notes				

7. Service Use

7.1.Rate of Emergency Department presentations in children/young people

Indicator	Rate of Emergency Department presentations in children/young people			
Policy Context	Emergency department presentations provide information about who received care in Australia's public and private hospital departments. There are a range of possible reasons that some regions may have a greater proportion of children and young people presenting to an emergency department than others.			
	Areas where primary health services are less accessible (due to cost, geographic proximity, lack of awareness, or attitudinal factors) tend to have greater proportions of emergency department presentations due to higher rates of people seeking help at hospital for problems that would ideally be addressed in a primary care setting ¹ .			
	Therefore, proportions of hospital presentations, in combination with other indicators, can be used to help policy makers understand which regions may require greater access to primary services to provide sufficient and appropriate healthcare to children and young people.			
References	 Australian Institute of Health and Welfare. Canberra ACT. Emergency Department Care 2016–17: Australian Hospital Statistics, 2017 [cited 2018 May 30]. Available at: <u>https://www.aihw.gov.au/reports/hospitals/ahs-</u> <u>2016-17-emergency-department-care/contents/table-of-contents</u> 			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Emergency Department Data Collection, Department of Health Western Australia; ABS Estimated Residential Population estimates.			
Numerator	Number of ED presentations for selected age group			
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group			
Unit of measure	Per 1,000 population			
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data confidentiality	Areas with count values 1 to 4 and where population is less than 50 have been suppressed.			
	Prior moving averages combine a sequence of 3 or 5 years of data prior to, and including, the selected year. The series are presented as overlapping sequences until the most recent year is included. Moving averages make it possible to combine more years of data to maximize sample size at each point while maintaining data confidentiality.			
Notes	The EDDC captures data relating to services provided to patients within public hospital emergency departments, contracted health entities and emergency services provided in smaller hospitals without a designated ED. The collection excludes episodes of non-admitted patient care provided in outpatient clinics or hospital inpatient departments.			

7.2.Number of logged calls to Ngala parenting helpline service

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Indicator	Number of logged calls to logala parenting helpline service					
<i>Policy Context</i> Ngala is an organisation that supports families, parents and careers to n						
	parenting children (from before pregnancy up to having children 18 years of age)					
	through a range of services across Western Australia ¹ . Ngala's parenting helpline					
	is its main point of contact for parents and carers with parenting concerns. It					
	functions both to provide free parenting advice and support and to refer families					
	and individuals on to other relevant resources and services ¹ .					
	Parents may require assistance to gain reliable information about parenting and					
	navigate the challenges it involves. If an area has a high number of calls this may					
	indicate a higher level of need for parenting support, a lack of sufficient services					
	and resources to provide this support or a combination of both these things.					
References	1. Ngala. Parenting, Family, Children and Youth Support. Kensington WA; Ngala;					
	2018 [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: https://www.ngala.com.au/					
Data source	Ngala helpline administrative data					
Numerator	Number of logged calls made by parents to helpline					
Denominator	Not applicable					
Unit of	Frequency (N)					
measure						
Geography	SA3					
Data	Areas with a numerator less than 5 have been supressed					
confidentiality						
Notes	Indicators presented as total calls for each year between 1999-2016					

7.3. Average age of child at the time a call was made to Ngala parenting helpline

Indicator	Average age of child at the time a call was made to Ngala helpline service
Policy Context	Ngala is an organisation that supports families, parents and careers to navigate parenting children (from before pregnancy up to having children 18 years of age) through a range of services across Western Australia ¹ . Ngala's parenting helpline is its main point of contact for parents and carers with parenting concerns. It functions both to provide free parenting advice and support and to refer families and individuals on to other relevant resources and services ¹ .
	The support parents require varies at different stages of their children's lives. For example, parents of infants could require advice about sleep and feeding whereas parents of teenagers may be looking for assistance with relationships, behaviour management and education. The average age of children at the time calls were made to Ngala can therefore provide insight into the type of support parents are currently seeking in different geographical areas.
References	 Ngala. Parenting, Family, Children and Youth Support. Kensington WA; Ngala; 2018 [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: <u>https://www.ngala.com.au/</u>
Data source	Ngala helpline administrative data
Numerator	Sum of ages for all children at time of call
Denominator	Total number of calls
Unit of	Age in weeks
measure	
Geography	SA3
Data confidentiality	Areas with a denominator less than 5 have been supressed
Notes	Age represents the age of the child the call relates to

7.4. Average call length to Ngala parenting helpline

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Policy Context	Ngala is an organisation that supports families, parents and careers to navigate parenting children (from before pregnancy up to having children 18 years of age) through a range of services across Western Australia ¹ . Ngala's parenting helpline is its main point of contact for parents and carers with parenting concerns. It functions both to provide free parenting advice and support and to refer families and individuals on to other relevant resources and services ¹ .		
	Based on the assumption that the amount of time a caller requires is associated with the amount of assistance needed, the length of calls to the Ngala helpline can be used as an indicator of the complexity of issues callers are presenting with and their level of need. Therefore, combined with other indicators, the average length of calls to Ngala for particular areas can be used to indicate the level of parenting assistance required in particular regions.		
References	 Ngala. Parenting, Family, Children and Youth Support. Kensington WA; Ngala; 2018 [cited 22 May 2018]. Available from: <u>https://www.ngala.com.au/</u> 		
Data source	Ngala helpline administrative data		
Numerator	Sum of call length (in minutes)		
Denominator	Total number of calls		
Unit of	Minutes		
measure			
Geography	SA3		
Data	Areas with a numerator less than 5 have been supressed		
confidentiality			
Notes	Call length represents the total duration of a help line call in minutes.		

8. Juvenile Crime

8.1. Juvenile Offences

Indicator	Number of offences by selected offence type and age group			
Deterorum	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on WA Pelice Force Unsident			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on WA Police Force - Inciden			
	Management System data			
Numerator	Number of offences by selected offence type and age group			
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group			
Unit of	Per 10,000 population			
measure				
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Counting rules have been applied to certain reporting categories (typically			
confidentialit	those known to have been prone to over-recording of offences			
У	historically) in order to provide a more accurate picture of crime volumes			
	and trends. Counting rules are applied historically to ensure			
	comparability.			
Notes	Distinct counts of selected offences involve an offender, where the			
	offence occurred between 01 January 2005 and 31 December 2018			
	inclusive, in the associated Local Government Area, SA3 Area and SA2			
	Area. As such, a single offence involving multiple offenders will be			
	counted once against the relevant categories			
	Location data is recorded for all offences. However, if the location is			
	unable to be identified using WA Delice Force geographical manning			
	Turable to be identified using WA Police Force geographical mapping			
	tables, the offence will not appear in these figures. This is approximately			
	0.0004% of offences.			

8.2. Juvenile Offences

Indicator	Number of distinct offenders by selected offence type and age group			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on WA Police Force - Incident			
	Management System data			
Numerator	Number of distinct offenders by selected offence type and age group			
Denominator	Total ERP for selected age group			
Unit of	Per 10,000 population			
measure				
Geography	SA2, SA3, LGA, HR, RDC			
Data	Counting rules have been applied to certain reporting categories (typically			
confidentialit	those known to have been prone to over-recording of offences			
У	historically) in order to provide a more accurate picture of crime volumes			
	and trends. Counting rules are applied historically to ensure			
	comparability.			

Notes	Distinct counts of offenders, where the offence occurred between 01 January 2005 and 31 December 2018 inclusive, in the associated Local Government Area, SA3 Area and SA2 Area. As such, an offender could commit multiple offences (of the same category) within an LGA, SA3 or SA2 for any given year and be counted only once. An offender committing multiple offences across LGAs, SA3 areas, SA2 areas, offence categories or years would be counted against each relevant field.
	An offender is identified in Western Australia Police Force's Incident Management System as an individual bearing responsibility for an offence. Offenders can be processed by varied means and have not necessarily been convicted by a court.

9. Childhood immunisation coverage

Indicator	Number of children fully immunised by selected age group			
Data source	Compiled by Telethon Kids Institute based on Australian Immunisation			
	Register data, Department of Health Australia			
Numerator	Number of children fully immunised by selected age group			
Denominator	Total children in selected age group			
Unit of	Per cent (%)			
measure				
Geography	SA3			
Data	Not applicable			
confidentiality				
Notes	The Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) is a national register that records all vaccines given to all people in Australia. Data is presented as an annualised (rolling four quarters) percentage. The data shows the percentage of children fully immunised at age 12 months, 24 months and 60 months according to the National Immunisation Program Schedule.			

9.1.Number of children fully immunised by selected age group

10. GP attendances

10.1.	Persons aged	0-24	years	who	had	the service	
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Indicator	Number of patients aged 0-24 years who attended GP			
Data source	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) analysis of			
	Department of Health, Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) claims data			
Numerator	Number of patients aged 0-24 years who attended GP			
Denominator	Total ERP aged 0-24 years			
Unit of	Per cent (%)			
measure				
Geography	SA3			
Data				
confidentiality				
Notes	MBS claims data do not include services provided to patients where no MBS benefit has been claimed, such as services subsidised by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, compensation arrangements, or jurisdictional salaried GP services provided in remote outreach clinics.			

10.2. Services per 100 people aged 0-24 years

Indicator	Number of GP attendances by patients aged 0-24			
Data source	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) analysis of			
	Department of Health, Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) claims data			
Numerator	Number of GP attendances by patients aged 0-24			
Denominator	Total ERP aged 0-24 years			
Unit of	Per cent (%)			
measure				
Geography	SA3			
Data				
confidentiality				
Notes	MBS claims data do not include services provided to patients where no MBS benefit has been claimed, such as services subsidised by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, compensation arrangements, or jurisdictional salaried GP services provided in remote outreach clinics.			

10.3. Medicare benefits per 100 people aged 0-24 years

Indicator	Total Medicare benefits paid (\$) by patients aged 0-24 years who attended GP
Data source	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) analysis of Department of Health, Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) claims data

Numerator	Total Medicare benefits paid (\$) by patients aged 0-24 years who attended GP
Denominator	Total ERP aged 0-24 years
Unit of	Per cent (%)
measure	
Geography	SA3
Data	
confidentiality	
Notes	MBS claims data do not include services provided to patients where no MBS benefit has been claimed, such as services subsidised by the Department of Veterans' Affairs, compensation arrangements, or jurisdictional salaried GP services provided in remote outreach clinics.