Australian Early Development Census
An Australian Government Initiative

Our Children
Our Communities
Our Future



Every school counts

The next AEDC data collection starts in Term 2, 2027

Your school's data makes a difference

The AEDC gives us a complete picture of how children have developed by the time they start school. The data is used by schools, communities, and governments to plan services and supports that give our kids the best start in life.

Every school counts and it's through the commitment of all schools that the AEDC is a success. Thank you for playing your part in the AEDC data collection.

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Since 2002, the Australian Government has worked in partnership with eminent child health research institutes, the Centre for Community Child Health at The Royal Children's Hospital and the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, and The Kids Research Institute Australia to deliver the Australian Early Development Census program to communities nationwide. The Australian Government continues to work with its partners and with state and territory governments to implement the AEDC.