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Australian Early Development Index: An AEDI Snapshot

In 2012, AEDI Checklists were completed on 289,973 children in their first year of full-time formal school. This rich set of publicly available data will help governments, communities and early childhood educators to build a picture of children’s development and provide an evidence base to support policy, activities and strategic direction.

The key findings are reported in A Snapshot of Early Childhood Development in Australia 2012 - AEDI National Report

This second Australian Early Development Index (AEDI) report, released in March 2013, shows the AEDI results nationally as well as at the local community level through individual suburbs or grouped suburbs. For background information on the AEDI as well as for community profiles and online maps, please refer to the AEDI website.

Kids Come First information
The Kids Come First project is a ‘whole-of-government’ initiative set up in 2008 to improve health and wellbeing outcomes for Tasmanian children and young people. It is a valuable resource for government agencies and communities about young Tasmanians.

The project has an outcomes-based framework with key indicators of health, wellbeing, safety, development and learning that reflect the influences of child, family, community and service systems. The large database allows analysis at a locality/suburb level by age, gender and Aboriginal status, as well as over time. Community profiles are routinely updated as new data become available.

These resources allow information about children’s outcomes at a statewide and local community level to assist with service planning and policy development.

Reports that are available include:

- Kids Come First Report 2009;
- Tasmanian Child Health and Wellbeing Survey Report 2009;
- Kids Come First Update: Selected Outcomes for Children and Young People in Tasmania (2013)

For more information visit www.dhhs.tas.gov.au/kids_come_first

To discuss further access to data please contact the Kids Come First project via email: kidscomefirst@dhhs.tas.gov.au or on 6233 3764.

Resources
The resources and website links provided are examples of key resources for your information. They include Tasmanian Government Reports, books, reports, presentations, and other interesting publications and websites.

The references/publications listed below may direct you to other external websites.
Tasmanian Government Reports
Tasmanian Early Years Foundation (2009), *Outcomes in the Early Years: the State of Tasmania’s Young Children 2009*, Hobart.

Other selected publications and resources


Center on the Developing Child at Harvard University (2010), *The Foundations of Lifelong Health Are Built in Early Childhood*. http://www.developingchild.harvard.edu


Centre for Community Child Health, Murdoch Children’s Research Institute, 2009, *Policy Brief No 17 Integrating Services for Young Children & families*.

Centre for Community Child Health, Murdoch Children’s Research Institute, February 2010, *Guiding Principles for the establishment and operation of Integrated Children’s Centres*.


Centre for Community Child Health (2009), *Integrating Services for Young Children and Families*. Policy Brief No. 17

Centre for Community Child Health (2010), *Engaging Marginalised and Vulnerable Families*. Policy Brief No. 18

Centre for Community Child Health (2011), *Evidence-based practice and practice-based evidence: what does it all mean?* Policy Brief No. 21

Centre for Community Child Health (2011) *Place-based approaches to supporting children and families*. Policy Brief No. 23


Let’s Read www.letsread.com.au


New South Wales Commission for Children and Young People (June 2009), *Built 4 Kids: A good practice guide to creating child-friendly built environments*.

Raising Children Network www.raisingchildren.net.au


**Books**

