# Average Payments - data rules

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## Average payments possible values and rules

The table below outlines the possible values and rules in the “Average payments data December 2023.csv” data file.

| **Variable** | **Description** | **Rules** | **Sample Possible Values** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| RprtDt | Reporting date | * The dates will align with quarter end dates. * The data is valid as at this date | * 31 Dec 2023 |
| StateCd | State or Territory the participant resides in | * One of the eight States/ Territories in which the NDIA operates. * “ALL” denotes all States/ Territories in which the NDIA operates. | * ACT * ALL * NSW * NT * QLD * SA * TAS * VIC * WA |
| SrvcDstrctNm | Service district where the participant resides | * Each State/Territory is divided into service districts in which the NDIA operates. * “ALL” denotes all service districts. | * TAS North * TAS North West * TAS South East * TAS South West |
| DsbltyGrpNm | Disability group name of the participants primary reported disability | * Disabilities are grouped as part of the process to protect participants privacy. * Down syndrome is shown separately from Intellectual disability . * “Missing” disability is reported separately from “Other”. | * Autism * Developmental delay * Intellectual Disability * Psychosocial disability * ALL |
| AgeBnd | Age band | * “ALL” denotes all ages. | * 0 to 6 * 7 to 14 * 15 to 18 * 19 to 24 * 25 to 34 * 35 to 44 * 45 to 54 * 55 to 64 * 65+ |
| SuppClass | Support class | * NDIS plans have support classes under which a participant receives necessary and reasonable funding. * “ALL” denotes all the support classes. | * ALL * Capacity Building * Capital * Core |
| AvgAnlsdPymt | Average of the annualised payment amounts in the participants’ active plans | * Payments are made when participants access supports. Payments are annualised to compare like-for-like values. * The amounts are rounded to the nearest hundred\* dollars so 0$ means that the amount is 49$ or less. * Average payment is calculate using AvsE method (using a 12-month period). * For rows with less than 11 participants, the average annualised payment has been removed, as the low participant count results in an average which is too volatile. | * Numerical values greater than or equal to zero, null values for cases with participants count less than 11. |

**Note:**

### AvsE Method using a 12-month period\*\*

* Annualise the incremental payments for each month in the calculation period (over a 12-month period up to the Reporting date) by dividing the monthly payments by the number of days in each month and then multiplying by 365.25.
* Calculate the average annualised payments per participant for each month (over a 12-month period up to the Reporting date) by dividing the previous number by the number of participants mid-month for each incremental period. The number of participants mid-month is calculated by taking the average of participant count for the end of each month and the previous month.
* The average payment over the year is then calculated by taking each of the incremental averages, and weighting this by the number of participants mid-month.

**\*** - rounding to nearest hundred dollars has been introduced since September 2023 output, earlier outputs used rounding to nearest thousand dollars.

**\*\*** - AvsE method before September 2023 was using the average participant counts at the start and the end of the calculation period (a 12-month period up to the Reporting date) and the total payment amount during the calculation period.

## How to use the data

Below are two examples of how to use the data.

### Example 1: Average payments of participants aged 25-34 in each State/Territory as at 30 June 2023

To get the number and average payments of participants in each State/Territory, regardless of support and entity type, apply the following filters to the data:

RprtDt=“30JUN2023”, StateCd≠(unselect)“ALL”, SrvcDstrctNm=”ALL”, DsbltyGrpNm=”ALL”, NDIAAgeBnd=”25-34”, SuppClass=“ALL”

### Example 2: Participants aged 25-34 with Sensory/Speech Impairment in NSW as at 30 June 2023

To get the number and average payments of all the participants with sensory/speech impairment in Australia, apply the following filters to the data:

RprtDt=“30JUN2023”, StateCd=“NSW”, SrvcDstrctNm=”ALL”, DsbltyGrpNm=” Sensory/Speech”, NDIAAgeBnd=”25-34”, SuppClass=“ALL”

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