



UNCRC: Article 31

The Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC) is the fundamental basis for children's rights in international law.

- 1. State Parties recognize the right of the child to rest and leisure, to engage in play and recreational activities appropriate to the age of the child and to participate freely in cultural life and the arts.
- 1. States Parties shall respect and promote the right of the child to participate fully in cultural and artistic life and shall encourage the provision of appropriate and equal opportunities for cultural, artistic, recreational and leisure activity.

Survey of Australian parents

(2018: Nature Play Australia and OMO)

Weekly time use
25.8 hours at school (40%)
20 hours on screens (31%)
Outdoor play 6 hours (9%)
Play outside every day (55%)
Screen use as #1 barrier to play

COMMUNITY AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

2014 2016 **2018 A**- **A**-

- + Proportion of Australian children/parents who report a playground or play space near to their home;
- Proportion of Australian parents/children/teachers who report heavy/problem traffic not to be an issue in their home or school neighbourhood;
- + Proportion of Australian children/parents who report their neighbourhood to be safe;
- + Proportion of Australian children/parents who report they have good roads/footpaths in their neighbourhood; and
- + Proportion of Australian children/parents who report they have access nearby in their neighbourhood to public transport.

Confidence Rating

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PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOLS

 2014
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Proportion of Australian children and young people accumulating at least 30 minutes of MVPA throughout the school day.

Confidence Rating

ORGANISED SPORT AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION

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2014 2016 **2018 B- B-**

Proportion of Australian children and young people participating in organised sport and/or physical activity at least once per week*.

Confidence Rating



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Perth school John Butler Primary College calls a halt to chasey

Bethany Hiatt | The West Australian Saturday, 23 June 2018 2:00AM



NATIONAL WA

Children playing netball on their Perth driveway draw neighbour's anger

By Emma Young Updated October 12, 2016 – 8.56am, first published October 11, 2016 – 10.36am Neighbours waging noise wars is a common suburban story, but one complaint stopping children playing netball on their own driveway represents a new low, say their parents.

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Bunbury Primary School has banned students from doing cartwheels. Picture: PerthNow, Seven News

WA News

School bans 'dangerous' cartwheels

ACTIVE	2014*	2015*	2016
TRANSPORT	c	C	C_{-}

Proportion of Australian school children for which active transport[#] is their usual mode of transport to and from school for at least part of the journey. Usual is defined as at least 5 trips out of 10 or on at least 2.5 school days, or child/parent indicates active transport is their usual mode.

2018

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Confidence Rating



Comparison of the current levels of aerobic and muscular fitness of Australian children and young people against norm-referenced international standards.^{180, 181}

2014

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2016

2018

Confidence Rating



SCREEN TIME 2014 2016 2018 D D D D

Proportion of Australian children and young people meeting the Australian Sedentary Behaviour Screen Time Guidelines:

Early Years⁹

- + Infants and Toddlers (birth to <2 years), should not spend any time watching television or using other electronic media"; and
- + Toddlers and Pre-schoolers (2 to 5 years), screen time* should be no more than 1 hour in total throughout the 24-hour period.

Children and Young People¹⁰

+ Children and young people (5 to 17 years), should limit their screen time* for entertainment purposes to no more than two hours every day of the week.

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OVERALL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY LEVELS

2014 2016 2018 D- D- D-

Proportion of Australian children and young people meeting the recommended Australian Physical Activity Guidelines: Early Years⁹

- + Toddlers (1 to 2 years), accumulate at least 180 minutes of activity including energetic play every day; and
- + Pre-schoolers (3 to 5 years), accumulate at least 180 minutes of activity including 60 minutes of energetic play every day.

Children and Young People¹⁰

+ Children and young people (5 to 17 years), accumulate 60 minutes or more of moderate to vigorous physical activity every day and engage in activities that strengthen muscle and bone on at least 3 days per week.

Confidence Rating



Smart phone use in Australian 3-17 year olds (Telstra)

- 68% own them
- Used for 23+ hours per week
- Spending 30% of waking hours

Kids seen, not heard, thanks to 'smart' devices

The Australian, 20 August 2012

6000 words per day vs 500 words per day

ACTIVE PLAY

No consensus on a primary metric could be reached.

Confidence Rating

2018

INC

2016

INC

2014

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Advocacy in action

• WA education department makes play-based learning a focus for 2019

WA government makes "improving the health and wellbeing of children in the early years" third of 12 priorities for Government

CCYP leading a Play Collective to push for a high level Play Policy

Changing the culture of play

one step

at a time



Work together







