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## FASD Notification Summary Tables

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# National surveillance of Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)

The FASDAR houses national surveillance of de-identified cases of FASD in children aged less than 15 years by the Australian Paediatric Surveillance Unit (APSU).

Table 1. Number of notifications of confirmed FASD cases received by year and month.

| Year of notification | Month of notification |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |             | Year total |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|------------|
|                      | Jan                   | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec         |            |
| 2015                 | 0                     | 0   | 4   | 1   | 4   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 2           | 23         |
| 2016                 | 0                     | 2   | 1   | 1   | 6   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 4   | 0   | 2   | 1           | 17         |
| 2017                 | 5                     | 12  | 5   | 4   | 5   | 30  | 34  | 66  | 10  | 10  | 8   | 7           | 196        |
| 2018                 | 3                     | 5   | 23  | 32  | 7   | 6   | 0   | 1   | 3   | 2   | 4   | 24          | 110        |
| 2019                 | 1                     | 3   | 2   | 11  | 2   | 11  | 12  | 14  | 10  | 6   | 47  | 34          | 153        |
| 2020                 | 44                    | 12  | 5   | 43  | 14  | 4   | 26  | 14  | 6   | 18  | 7   | 18          | 211        |
| 2021                 | 13                    | 2   | 7   | 4   | 8   | 4   | 16  | 6   | 6   | 41  | 3   | 5           | 115        |
| 2022                 | 14                    | 41  | 13  | 14  | 9   | 10  | 5   | 14  | 21  | 16  | 2   | 32          | 191        |
| 2023                 | 2                     | 10  | 22  | 10  | 9   | 7   | 34  | 8   | 21  | 10  | 8   | 20          | 161        |
| 2024                 | 8                     | 15  | 18  | 15  | 32  | 33  | 9   | 11  | 9   | 15  | 18  | 18          | 201        |
| 2025                 | 11                    | 7   | 8   | 7   | 12  | 18  | 6   | 16  | 15  | 9   | 15  | 18          | 142        |
| <b>Grand total</b>   |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     | <b>1520</b> |            |

Table 2. Number of notifications of confirmed FASD cases received by year and location (state/territory).

| Year of notification  | Location of notification |            |            |            |           |           |           |            | Year total   |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|--------------|
|                       | NSW                      | VIC        | QLD        | WA         | SA        | TAS       | ACT       | NT         |              |
| 2015                  | 10                       | 2          | 5          | 2          | 0         | 0         | 3         | 1          | 23           |
| 2016                  | 6                        | 6          | 0          | 2          | 2         | 0         | 0         | 1          | 17           |
| 2017                  | 28                       | 7          | 39         | 108        | 0         | 1         | 0         | 13         | 196          |
| 2018                  | 16                       | 4          | 26         | 59         | 5         | 0         | 0         | 0          | 110          |
| 2019                  | 50                       | 13         | 28         | 53         | 4         | 1         | 2         | 2          | 153          |
| 2020                  | 47                       | 28         | 84         | 8          | 2         | 3         | 2         | 37         | 211          |
| 2021                  | 49                       | 32         | 7          | 1          | 3         | 0         | 3         | 20         | 115          |
| 2022                  | 31                       | 32         | 50         | 39         | 3         | 0         | 1         | 34         | 190          |
| 2023                  | 35                       | 69         | 9          | 9          | 20        | 8         | 1         | 6          | 157          |
| 2024                  | 51                       | 94         | 17         | 3          | 18        | 15        | 1         | 2          | 201          |
| 2025                  | 48                       | 73         | 11         | 0          | 8         | 0         | 1         | 0          | 141          |
| <b>Location total</b> | <b>371</b>               | <b>360</b> | <b>276</b> | <b>284</b> | <b>65</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>116</b> | <b>1514*</b> |

\*Postcode data were missing for 6 families.

NB. FASD cases are under-reported as some clinicians from FASD clinics are yet to submit case notifications.

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