

Early Learning & Development Data Snapshot 2018 Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

Strong Families Strong Children Buloke's vision is for **all children in the Buloke Shire to start school ready to learn**. A big part of this readiness is ensuring that children in Buloke are developmentally on-track when they start school.

The AEDC measures the development of children in Australia in their first year of full-time school. 2018 Buloke data written below in **RED** shows where we are doing worse than Victoria, **YELLOW** where we are similar to Victoria and **GREEN** shows where we are doing better than Victoria.

If you would like to talk more about this data for children and families in Buloke please contact: Abby Mulquiny, Early Years Facilitator on 0448 318 757.

'Developmental vulnerabilities emerge early, often persist into adulthood and become increasingly difficult and costly to address' (Currie & Rossin-Slater, 2015; Shonkoff, Boyce, & McEwen, 2009).

'Improving child development prior to school entry can have long-lasting benefits for the individual (Feinstein, 2003) and flow on economic benefits for society'.

Physical Health and Wellbeing

	Buloke	Victoria
On Track	71.2%	81%
At Risk	7.7%	10.8%
Vulnerable	21.2%	8.2%

*Child is ready each day healthy and independent, and has excellent gross and fine motor skills.



Data Source: AEDC 2018

Social Competence

	Buloke	Victoria
On Track	69.2%	77.3%
At Risk	17.3%	13.9%
Vulnerable	13.5%	8.8%

*Child gets along with others and shares, is self confident.



Data Source: AEDC 2018

Emotional Maturity

	Buloke	Victoria
On Track	69.2%	77.7%
At Risk	21.2%	14.2%
Vulnerable	9.6%	8.1%

*Child is able to concentrate, helps others, not aggressive or angry.



Data Source: AEDC 2018

Language & Cognitive Skills (school-based)

	Buloke	Victoria
On Track	82.7%	84.6%
At Risk	11.5%	9.0%
Vulnerable	5.8%	6.4%

*Child is interested in reading or writing, can count and recognise numbers and shapes.



Data Source: AEDC 2018

Communication Skills & General Knowledge

	Buloke	Victoria
On Track	75.0%	79.4%
At Risk	13.5%	13.2%
Vulnerable	11.5%	7.4%

*Child can tell a story, communicate with adults and children, articulate themselves.



Data Source: AEDC 2018

Vulnerable in 1 or More Domain(s)
Buloke: 30.8%
Victoria: 19.9%

Vulnerable in 2 or More Domain(s)
Buloke: 17.3%
Victoria: 10.1%



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