



Overview of the Wellbeing Monitoring Framework

The Commissioner for Children and Young People has a statutory responsibility to monitor the wellbeing of all children and young people living in Western Australia and advocate on their behalf.

The Commissioner developed the Wellbeing Monitoring Framework (WMF) to monitor and report on the wellbeing of WA children and young people.

The WMF is informed by the Commissioner's vision:

That all children and young people are heard, are healthy and safe, reach their potential and are welcomed as valued members of the community and in doing so we build a brighter future for the whole community.¹

The WMF encompasses the following three components:

Profile of Children and Young People

Purpose: To provide a demographic profile of children and young people in WA.

Overview: An outline of the population of children and young people in WA.

Includes a focus on children and young people who experience vulnerability and hardship, such as children and young people in the juvenile justice system, in out-of-home care, with disability and living in poverty.

Status: Published **Updated:** Annually

Indicators of Wellbeing

Purpose: To provide information on a range of indicators on the wellbeing of children and young people across the life course and over time.

Overview: Information is structured by age across three domains

- Learning and participating
- Healthy and connected
- Safe and supported.

Indicators in each area are informed by a range of measures. Analysis of these measures show trends over time and highlight critical areas of concern, including information gaps.

Status: Published **Updated:** Regularly

Policies and recommendations

Purpose: To monitor policies and recommendations aimed at supporting children and young people.

Overview: Summarises the action of government to address indicators of wellbeing, including recommendations from the Commissioner for Children and Young People WA and departmental frameworks and initiatives.

Will build a history of action over time.

Status: Published 2021

¹ Commissioner for Children and Young People 2016, *Our approach and priorities 2016-20*, Commissioner for Children and Young People WA, Perth.