Data sources

The Changing Children’s Chances project capitalises on powerful national datasets. This includes the Longitudinal Study of Australian Children (LSAC) and the Person Level Integrated Data Asset (PLIDA).

**LSAC**

LSAC is a nationally representative cohort study that examines a broad range of research questions about development and wellbeing over the life course. It includes topics such as parenting, family, peers, education, childcare and health. Data are collected from two cohorts (birth cohort and kindergarten cohort) every two years. LSAC also includes linkages with the following datasets:

- Child Health CheckPoint
- Neighbourhood Built Environment
- Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)
- National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)
- Medicare Australia (Medicare Benefit Scheme and Pharmaceutical Benefit Scheme)
- Centrelink welfare

**PLIDA**

PLIDA provides large-scale Australian Government administrative data. Data available in the PLIDA include the following:

- Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)
- Census of Population and Housing
- Child Care Management System (CCMS)
- Data Exchange (DEX) – Family and Community Program
- Data Over Multiple Individual Occurrences (DOMINO)
- Individual Tax Return (ITR)
- Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS)
- Migration
- National Health Survey (NHS)
- National Quality Standard (NQS)
- Personal Income Tax
- Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS)
- Registries of Deaths (RD)