

Person—family name

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Person—family name

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element Concept
METEOR identifier:	613333
Registration status:	Aged Care , Standard 30/06/2023 Health , Standard 05/10/2016 Indigenous , Standard 07/04/2024 Tasmanian Health , Standard 27/06/2017
Definition:	The name a person has in common with some other members of their family. It is often hereditary, and is distinguished from that person's first given name.
Context:	Administrative purposes and individual identification.

Object Class attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Object class:	Person
Definition:	A human being.

Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Prior to 13 March 2018, the definition of the 'Person' Object class was 'A human being, whether man, woman or child'. From 13 March 2018, the definition was edited by removing the words '...whether man, woman or child' so that a person is defined as 'A human being'. This amendment was undertaken to align the definition of a person with the <i>Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender</i> and the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) <i>Standard for Sex and Gender Variables</i> , which recognise that there are sex and gender types that are not exclusively male or female.
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Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
Origin:	Macquarie University 2003. <i>The Macquarie Dictionary 3rd ed.</i> Sydney: The Macquarie Library Pty. Ltd
Reference documents:	Attorney-General's Department 2015. Australian Government Guidelines on the Recognition of Sex and Gender. Viewed 26 July 2016, https://www.ag.gov.au/Publications/Pages/AustralianGovernmentGuidelinesontheRecognitionofSexandGender.aspx ABS (Australian Bureau of Statistics) 2016. Standard for Sex and Gender Variables, 2016. ABS Cat. no. 1200.0.55.012. Canberra: ABS. Viewed 26 July 2016, http://abs.gov.au/AUSSTATS/abs@.nsf/Lookup/1200.0.55.012Main+Features12016?OpenDocument

Property attributes

Identifying and definitional attributes

Property:	Family name
Definition:	A designation for a family.
Property group:	Name characteristics

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

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Reference documents: Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Person \(name\)—family name](#)
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005
[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
[Health](#), Superseded 05/10/2016
[Housing assistance](#), Standard 28/07/2005
[Indigenous](#), Superseded 07/04/2024
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 01/09/2016
[WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

Data Elements implementing this Data Element Concept: [Person—family name, text X\[X\(39\)\]](#)
[Aged Care](#), Standard 30/06/2023
[Health](#), Standard 05/10/2016
[Indigenous](#), Standard 07/04/2024
[Tasmanian Health](#), Standard 27/06/2017