# Adoption

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#### Identifying and Definitional Attributes

Data Dictionary:	NCSDD	
Knowledgebase ID:	000502	Version number: 2
Metadata type:	DATA ELEMENT CONCEPT	
Admin status:	SUPERSEDED	Effective date: 01-MAR-05
Definition:	Adoption is the legal process by which a person legally becomes a child of the adoptive parents and legally ceases to be a child of his/her existing parents.	
Context:	Children and family serv	ices.

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### Relational and Representational Attributes

Datatype:

Related metadata:supersedes previous data element Adoption version 1<br/>relates to the data element concept Family version 2<br/>relates to the data element concept Household family type version<br/>3<br/>relates to the data element concept Household family version 1

### Administrative Attributes

Source Document: Adoptions Australia (AIHW). Data collection standards, tables and counting rules, 1998-99

Source Organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Comments: The adoption order severs the legal relationship between the biological parents and the child. A new birth certificate is issued to the child bearing the name(s) of his/her adoptive parent(s) as the natural parent(s) and the new name of the child, where a change has occurred.

## Data Element Links

Information Model Entities linked to this Data Element NCSIM Life event Data Agreements which include this Data Element