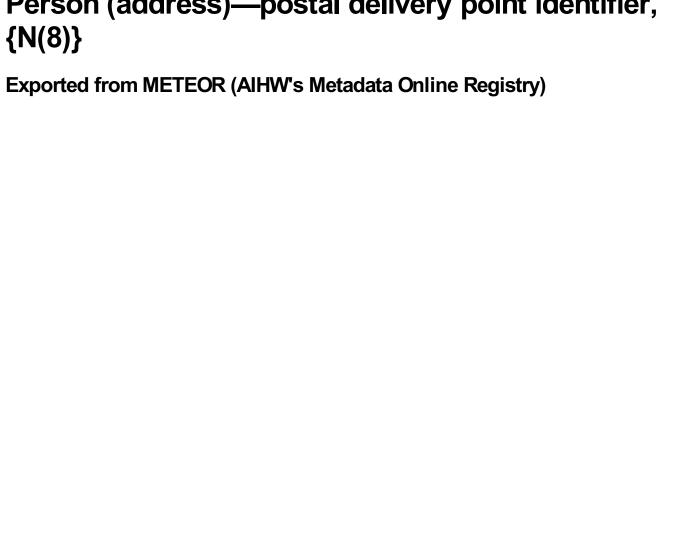
Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier,



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Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)}

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type: Data Element

Short name: Postal delivery point identifier (person)

Synonymous names: Australian delivery point identifier

METEOR identifier: 287220

Registration status: Community Services (retired), Superseded 06/02/2012

Health, Superseded 05/10/2016

Definition: A unique number assigned to a person's postal address as recorded on the

Australia Post Postal Address File (PAF).

Data Element Concept: Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier

Value Domain: Postal delivery point identifier {N(8)}

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class: Identifier

Data type: Number

Format: {N(8)}

Maximum character length: 8

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin: Customer Barcoding Technical Specifications, 1998: Australia Post

Reference documents: AS5017 Health Care Client Identification, 2002, Sydney: Standards Australia

AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2004, Sydney: Standards Australia

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use: Australia Post maintains a Postal Address File (PAF) database which contains

Australian postal delivery addresses and their corresponding eight (8) character unique identification number known as a Delivery Point Identifier (DPID). While the PAF is concerned with postal address, for many persons' a postal address will be the same as their residential address. The PAF can be used to improve the

recording of address data at the time of data collection.

The Postal Address File may be used at the time of data collection to confirm that the combined metadata items of address line, suburb/town/locality, Australian state/territory identifier and postcode - Australian are accurately recorded.

Collection methods: The Delivery Point Identifier (DPID) is assigned electronically to recognised

Australia Post delivery addresses following reference to the Postal Address File

(PAF) database.

Comments: In October 1999, Australia Post introduced a bar-coding system for bulk mail

lodgements. Agencies or establishments can use software to improve the quality of person address data it collects and records and, at the same time, receive financial

benefits by reducing its postage expenses.

The DPID is easily converted to a bar code and can be included on

correspondence and address labels. If the bar code is displayed on a standard envelope that passes through a mail-franking machine (e.g. as used by most major hospitals), the postage cost is reduced. Every three months, Australia Post provides updates to the PAF database. For more information, contact Australia

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Standards Australia

Origin: National Health Data Standards Committee

National Community Services Data Committee

Standards Australia 2002. Australian Standard AS5017-2002 Health Care Client

Identification. Sydney: Standards Australia

Reference documents: AS4846 Health Care Provider Identification, 2006, Sydney: Standards Australia

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes Person (address)—postal delivery point identifier, {N(8)}

Community Services (retired), Superseded 25/08/2005

Health, Superseded 04/05/2005

Has been superseded by Address—postal delivery point identifier, identifier {N(8)}

Aged Care, Recorded 27/06/2023

Community Services (retired), Standard 06/02/2012

Disability, Standard 13/08/2015 Health, Standard 05/10/2016

Is formed using Person (address)—suburb/town/locality name, text A[A(49)]

Community Services (retired), Superseded 06/02/2012

Early Childhood, Superseded 09/03/2012

Health, Superseded 07/12/2011 Homelessness, Standard 23/08/2010

Housing assistance, Superseded 01/05/2013

Specifications:

Implementation in Data Set Health care client identification DSS

Health, Superseded 03/12/2008

Health care client identification DSS Health, Retired 20/03/2013

Health care provider identification DSS Health, Superseded 04/07/2007

Health care provider identification DSS Health, Superseded 03/12/2008

Health care provider identification DSS Health, Retired 20/03/2013