

Address—country identifier, country code (ISO 3166) AA

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Country code of address
METEOR identifier:	430165
Registration status:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Services (retired), Standard 06/02/2012• Disability, Standard 13/08/2015
Definition:	The country identifier of an address, as represented by the International Standards Organisation code for countries.
Data Element Concept:	Address—country identifier

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	International Standards Organisation codes for the representation of names of countries and their subdivisions, Part 1: Country codes (ISO 3166, 2006)
Representation class:	Identifier
Data type:	String
Format:	AA
Maximum character length:	2

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation: Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

AUSTRALIA should not be printed on domestic mail.

For international mailing purposes the full country name must be used.

Mail for Australian Island Territories (e.g. Christmas Island, Norfolk Island) is treated as Australian domestic mail with the name of the island included as the locality information.

This data element is one of a number of items that can be used to create a primary address, as recommended by the AS 4590-2006 *Interchange of client information* standard. Components of the primary address are:

- Address site (or Primary complex) name
- Address number or number range
- Road name (name/type/suffix)
- Locality
- State/Territory
- Postcode (optional)
- Country (if applicable).

Collection methods:

If this data element is blank the address is by default an Australian address.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:

Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Origin:

Standards Australia 2006. AS 4590—2006 Interchange of client information. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Has been superseded by [Address—country identifier, country code \(SACC 2011\) NNNN](#)

- [Health](#), Superseded 06/12/2016

Supersedes [Person \(address\)—country identifier, code \(SACC 2008\) NNNN](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Superseded 28/02/2012
- [Health](#), Superseded 28/02/2012

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Address details data dictionaryCommunity Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012

[Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015