

# Address—international country code, N[NNNN]

## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	International country code
<b>Synonymous names:</b>	Country code
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	434151
<b>Registration status:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a>, Standard 06/02/2012</li><li>• <a href="#">Disability</a>, Standard 13/08/2015</li><li>• <a href="#">Health</a>, Standard 05/10/2016</li></ul>

**Definition:** The standard international country code, used in conjunction with landline telephone, mobile telephone and facsimile numbers that also describes the location of an entity, as represented by a one-to-five digit number.

**Data Element Concept:** [Address—international country code](#)

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Identifier
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N[NNNN]
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	5

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:** A list of the standard international country codes can be found at:  
[http://www.itu.int/dms\\_pub/itu-t/opb/sp/T-SP-E.164D-2011-PDF-E.pdf](http://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-t/opb/sp/T-SP-E.164D-2011-PDF-E.pdf)

## Source and reference attributes

**Reference documents:** International Telecommunication Union 2011. List of ITU-T recommendation E.164 assigned country codes. Geneva: International Telecommunication Union. Viewed 11 July 2011, [http://www.itu.int/dms\\_pub/itu-t/opb/sp/T-SP-E.164D-2011-PDF-E.pdf](http://www.itu.int/dms_pub/itu-t/opb/sp/T-SP-E.164D-2011-PDF-E.pdf)

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**Collection methods:** A country code can consist of one-digit up to five-digits; no leading numbers should be entered if the number is less than 5 digits.

When a country code is used in conjunction with an area code and phone number it should be arranged in the following order.

(Country code) + (Area Code) + phone number

Usage Example:

Code 61 - Australia

Country codes should be stored as the 1-5 numbers in a row, but rules can be set up to display the number in a different format, e.g. ## ###.

Country codes are also usually defined with a '+' prefix, this is common for all country codes and can be added to the display via a rule. It should not be stored.

## 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:**

See also [Address—Australian area code, code NN](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015

See also [Address—telephone number, text X\[X\(15\)\]](#)

- [ACT Health \(retired\)](#), Candidate 24/12/2018
- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 06/02/2012
- [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
- [Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014
- [Tasmanian Health](#), Incomplete 12/09/2012
- [WA Health](#), Incomplete 23/08/2012

See also [Address—telephone number, text X\[X\(19\)\]](#)

- [WA Health](#), Standard 19/03/2015

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:**

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

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

[Provider place of practice clusterHealth](#), Standard 05/10/2016

**Conditional obligation:**

To be used if [Individual service provider—country of employment in registered profession, Australia/other country code N](#) equals 2.