

# Adoption—number of adoptions finalised, total N[NN]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Number of adoptions finalised
METEOR identifier:	482190
Registration status:	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 20/05/2013
Definition:	The total number of adoption orders finalised during the reporting period.
Data Element Concept:	<a href="#">Adoption—number of adoptions finalised</a>
Value Domain:	<a href="#">Number N[NN]</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

Representation class:	Total
Data type:	Number
Format:	N[NN]
Maximum character length:	3

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

Comments:	Includes all children who were the subject of a finalised adoption order during the reporting period. This includes orders that were made in Australia and, in the case of some intercountry adoptions, where the full adoption order was made in the country or origin. An adoption order is finalised after the legal relationship between the child and the biological parents is severed and the legal relationship of parent and child is transferred, in full, to the adoptive parent(s).
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## Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Has been superseded by <a href="#">Adoption—finalised adoption, total number N[NN]</a> <a href="#">Children and Families</a> , Superseded 03/11/2021
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**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Adoptions DSS 2011-13](#)  
[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/05/2013

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2011

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2013

**DSS specific information:**

Finalised refers to those adoptions orders finalised by 30 June of the reporting period.

[Adoptions DSS 2013-14](#)

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 20/03/2014

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2013

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2016

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