

Person—pre-adoption relationship to adoptive parent(s), code N

Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Relationship to adoptive parents
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Definition:	The pre-adoption relationship a person has to his/her adoptive parent(s), as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—pre-adoption relationship to adoptive parent(s)

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Representation class:	Code										
Data type:	Number										
Format:	N										
Maximum character length:	1										
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Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:

CODE 1 Step-parent

A step-parent is the spouse of the adopted child's natural parent or adoptive parent. Foster parents are not included in this category.

CODE 2 Relative(s)

This category includes any relative of the child, other than step-parents. For Indigenous children, 'relative' includes those related through kinship arrangements.

CODE 3 Carer

This category includes foster parents or other non-relatives who have been caring for the child and have had the responsibility for making decisions concerning the daily care and control of the child for the relevant period (as specified by the relevant state/territory department) before the adoption.

CODE 4 Other

'Other' includes children adopted by commissioning parent(s) (surrogate parents), whether the commissioning parent is a relative or not.

Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:

Supersedes [Person—pre-adoption relationship to adoptive parents, code N](#)

- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 20/05/2013

Has been superseded by [Person—pre-adoption relationship to adoptive parent\(s\), code N](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Standard 03/11/2021

See also [Person—adoption type, code N](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021

See also [Person—adoption type, code N](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 02/12/2019

See also [Person—adoption type, code N](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 12/11/2018

Implementation in Data Set Specifications:

[Adoptions DSS 2013-16](#)
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/03/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2013

Implementation end date: 30/06/2016

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a 'known' adoption.

[Adoptions DSS 2016-17
Children and Families](#), Superseded 12/11/2018

Implementation start date: 01/07/2016

Implementation end date: 30/06/2017

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a 'known' adoption.

[Adoptions DSS 2017-18
Children and Families](#), Superseded 02/12/2019

Implementation start date: 01/07/2017

Implementation end date: 30/06/2018

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a 'known' adoption.

[Adoptions DSS 2018-19
Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2018

Implementation end date: 30/06/2019

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a 'known' adoption.

[Adoptions DSS 2019-20
Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021

Implementation start date: 01/07/2019

Implementation end date: 30/06/2020

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a 'known' adoption.

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