

# Person—relationship of carer to child, code N[N]

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element
<b>Short name:</b>	Relationship of carer to child
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	652013
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Children and Families</a> , Standard 22/11/2016
<b>Definition:</b>	The relationship a carer has to a child under their care, as represented by a code.
<b>Data Element Concept:</b>	<a href="#">Person—relationship of carer to child</a>
<b>Value Domain:</b>	<a href="#">Relationship of carer to child code N[N]</a>

## Value domain attributes

## Representational attributes

<b>Representation class:</b>	Code
<b>Data type:</b>	Number
<b>Format:</b>	N[N]
<b>Maximum character length:</b>	2

	Value	Meaning
<b>Permissible values:</b>	1	Grandparent
	2	Aunt or uncle
	3	Sibling
	4	Other relative
	5	Non-familial relationship
	6	Other Indigenous kinship relationship
	88	Other
<b>Supplementary values:</b>	97	Not applicable
	99	Not stated/inadequately described

## Collection and usage attributes

## Guide for use:

### CODE 1 Grandparent

The carer is the biological/step/adoptive grandparent (i.e. the parent of either of the child's parents) of the child placed in their care. This includes Indigenous kinship placements with grandparents.

### CODE 2 Aunt or uncle

The carer is the biological/step/adoptive aunt or uncle (i.e. the sister or brother of either of the child's parents) of the child placed in their care. This includes Indigenous kinship placements with aunts/uncles.

Relatives beyond first aunt/uncle are excluded.

### CODE 3 Sibling

The carer is the biological/step/adoptive sibling (i.e. sister or brother) of the child placed in their care. This includes Indigenous kinship placements with siblings.

### CODE 4 Other relative

The carer is a biological/step/adoptive relative (excluding grandparent, aunt or uncle, or sibling) of the child placed in their care. This includes Indigenous kinship placements with other relatives.

### CODE 5 Non-familial relationship

The carer has a pre-existing relationship with, but is not a biological/step/adoptive relative of, the child under their care. This includes Indigenous kinship placements with carers who have a non-familial relationship to the child under their care.

### CODE 6 Other Indigenous kinship relationship

The carer is the Indigenous kin of the child under their care (i.e. is a member of an Indigenous community who is accepted by that community as being related to the child).

Code 6 excludes Indigenous kinship placements with grandparents, aunts/uncles, siblings, other relatives and carers with a non-familial relationship to the child. These are reported under the above categories.

### CODE 88 Other

Includes other relative/kinship relationships that do not fit into the above categories.

### CODE 97 Not applicable

Should be recorded for non-relative and non-kin carers.

### CODE 99 Not stated/inadequately described

Where the specific relationship of the relative/kin carer is unknown.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

**Steward:** [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](#)

**Origin:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) 2013. Child protection national minimum data set, data collection manual 2012-13. Canberra: AIHW.

## Data element attributes

## Collection and usage attributes

**Guide for use:**

This data element records the relationship between an authorised relative/kinship carer and a relative/kinship child placed in their care. The relationship can be full, half or step or through adoption.

For households containing more than one authorised relative/kinship carer, this should be recorded for one carer only. For the purposes of this collection, this carer may be identified by local definitions of 'primary' carer.

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## Relational attributes

**Implementation in Data Set Specifications:** [Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016

[Community Services \(retired\)](#), Recorded 10/10/2014

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

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

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2012

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2014

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 22/11/2016

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

**Implementation end date:** 30/06/2015

[Living arrangements for children under care \(LA\) file cluster](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/04/2018

**Implementation start date:** 01/07/2014

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

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