

Person—country of origin, code (SACC 2016) NNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Country of origin
METEOR identifier:	666464
Registration status:	Children and Families , Standard 12/11/2018
Definition:	The country of habitual residence of a person, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Person—country of origin
Value Domain:	Country code (SACC 2016) NNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	NNNN
Maximum character length:	4

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	<p>The Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016 (SACC) is a four-digit, three-level hierarchical structure specifying major group, minor group and country.</p> <p>A country, even if it comprises other discrete political entities such as states, is treated as a single unit for all data domain purposes. Parts of a political entity are not included in different groups. Thus, Hawaii is included in Northern America (as part of the identified country United States of America), despite being geographically close to and having similar social and cultural characteristics as the units classified to Polynesia.</p>
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Source and reference attributes

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Relational attributes

Related metadata references:	Supersedes Person—country of origin, code (SACC 2011) NNNN Children and Families , Superseded 12/11/2018 Community Services (retired) , Standard 20/05/2013
Implementation in Data Set Specifications:	Adoptions DSS 2017-18 Children and Families , Superseded 02/12/2019 Implementation start date: 01/07/2017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 'local' or 'intercountry' adoption.

DSS specific information:

Country of origin refers to the country of habitual residence of the child being adopted, which is generally a child's country of birth.

[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[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021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 'local' or 'intercountry' adoption.

DSS specific information:

Country of origin refers to the country of habitual residence of the child being adopted, which is generally a child's country of birth.

[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 'local' or 'intercountry' adoption.

DSS specific information:

Country of origin refers to the country of habitual residence of the child being adopted, which is generally a child's country of birth.

[Adoptions DSS 2020-21](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 05/06/2023

Implementation start date: 01/07/2020

Implementation end date: 30/06/2021

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a [local adoption](#) or an [intercountry adoption](#).

DSS specific information:

Country of origin refers to the country of habitual residence of the child being adopted, which is generally a child's country of birth.

[Adoptions DSS 2021-22](#)

[Children and Families](#), Superseded 04/04/2024

Implementation start date: 01/07/2021

Implementation end date: 30/06/2022

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a [local adoption](#) or an [intercountry adoption](#).

DSS specific information:

Country of origin refers to the country of habitual residence of the child being adopted, which is generally a child's country of birth.

[Adoptions DSS 2022-23](#)

[Children and Families](#), Standard 04/04/2024

Implementation start date: 01/07/2022

Implementation end date: 30/06/2023

Conditional obligation:

Conditional on adoption type being a [local adoption](#) or an [intercountry adoption](#).

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