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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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471374) |
| Value Domain: | [Country code (SACC 2016) NNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659444) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/659350) | |
| Representation class: | Code | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | NNNN | |
| Maximum character length: | 4 | |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016 (SACC) is a four-digit, three-level hierarchical structure specifying major group, minor group and country.  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. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
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| Steward: | [Australian Institute of Health and Welfare](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/246013) |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Supersedes [Person—country of origin, code (SACC 2011) NNNN](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/471367)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), Superseded 12/11/2018  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/1), Standard 20/05/2013 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [Adoptions DSS 2017-18](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/700748)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/722241)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/729909)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749045)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749062) or an [**intercountry adoption**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749058).  ***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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/766551)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749062) or an [**intercountry adoption**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749058).  ***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](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/784744)  [Children and Families](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/17), 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**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749062) or an [**intercountry adoption**](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/749058).  ***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. |