

# Known child adoption

## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Glossary Item

**METEOR identifier:** 749082

**Registration status:**

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

**Definition:** An [adoption](#) of a child/children who were born or permanently residing in Australia before the adoption, who have a pre-existing relationship with the [adoptive parent](#)(s) and who are generally not able to be adopted by anyone other than the adoptive parent(s). These types of adoptions are broken down into the following categories, depending on the child's relationship to the adoptive parent(s): [step-parent](#), relative(s), carer and other.

## Source and reference attributes

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

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Supersedes [Known adoption](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021

See also [Known child intercountry adoption](#)

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

**Metadata items which use this glossary item:** [Adoption](#)

- [Children and Families](#), Standard 22/11/2016
- [Community Services \(retired\)](#), Standard 01/03/2005
- [Disability](#), Standard 13/08/2015
- [Health](#), Standard 01/03/2005
- [Indigenous](#), Standard 16/09/2014

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

[Adoptive parent](#)

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

[Step-parent](#)

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