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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Value Domain |
| Synonymous names: | SLK sequential match code |
| METEOR identifier: | 781040 |
| Registration status: | [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Recorded 16/05/2024 |
| Definition: | A code set representing codes used to differentiate non-coincidental replications of a statistical linkage key (SLK). |

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| Representational attributes | | |
| Representation class: | Text | |
| Data type: | Number | |
| Format: | N[N(4)] | |
| Maximum character length: | 5 | |

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| Collection and usage attributes | |
| Guide for use: | The ABS-devised Statistical linkage key (SLK) Match code identifies non-coincidental replications of the SLK and links those SLKs using a sequential numbering system.  Replicants of the SLK 581 may be identified from an individual person's record by system identifier, biographic and/or demographic information held by the data provider. The first person identified with a non-unique SLK 581 is to be assigned an SLK match code of 1. All episode records for this person will use the same SLK match code.  The next person identified with a non-unique SLK 581 is to be assigned an SLK match code incremented by 1 from the previous occurrence. All episode records for this person will use the same SLK match code. |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Department of Education |

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| Relational attributes | |
| Data elements implementing this value domain: | [Record—linkage key, sequential match code N[N(4)]](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/content/793024)  [Early Childhood](https://meteor.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/13), Recorded 16/05/2024 |