Person (address)—country identifier, code (SACC 1998) NNNN

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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Data Element |
| Short name: | Address—country identifier (person) |
| METEOR identifier: | 288091 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 02/06/2008  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 01/10/2008 |
| Definition: | The country component of the address of a person, as represented by a code. |
| Data Element Concept: | [Person (address)—country identifier](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/288077) |
| Value Domain: | [Country code (SACC 1998) NNNN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/270812) |

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| Value domain attributes | | |
| Representational attributes | | |
| Classification scheme: | [Standard Australian Classification of Countries 1998](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/270557) | |
| 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 1998 (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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| Collection methods: | Collect the data at the 4-digit level. |
| Comments: | Note that the Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC) is mappable to but not identical to Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS). |
| Source and reference attributes | |
| Reference documents: | [Standard Australian Classification of Countries, Catalogue number 1269.0,](http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/66f306f503e529a5ca25697e0017661f/8277a528fa48713bca25697e00184ab4!OpenDocument) 1998, Canberra: Australian Bureau of Statistics  Standard Australian Classification of Countries, Revision 2.01, Canberra 1999, Australian Bureau of Statistics. Catalogue Number 1269.0  Standard Australian Classification of Countries, Revision 2.02, Canberra 2004, Australian Bureau of Statistics. Catalogue Number 1269.0 |
| Relational attributes | |
| Related metadata references: | Has been superseded by [Person (address)—country identifier, code (SACC 2008) NNNN](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/370937)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Superseded 28/02/2012  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 28/02/2012 |
| Implementation in Data Set Specifications: | [AROC inpatient data set specification](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/339513)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Recorded 18/07/2007  ***Implementation start date:*** 01/06/2007 ***Conditional obligation:*** Only collect if patients residential address is NOT within Australia  [Health care client identification DSS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/288765)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 03/12/2008  [Health care provider identification DSS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/289061)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 04/07/2007  [Health care provider identification DSS](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/356020)  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Superseded 03/12/2008 |