

# Record—linkage key

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Data Element Concept
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	299990
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Recorded 27/03/2007
<b>Definition:</b>	A process, technique or method that enables the bringing together of two or more records that are believed to belong to the same individual.
<b>Context:</b>	Statistical linkage and policy purposes.

## Object Class attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Object class:</b>	<a href="#">Record</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	An account of something, preserved in a lasting form.
<b>Specialisation of:</b>	<a href="#">Service/care event</a>

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare
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## Property attributes

### Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Property:</b>	<a href="#">Linkage key</a>
<b>Definition:</b>	A process, technique or method that enables the bringing together of two or more records.

### Source and reference attributes

<b>Origin:</b>	Commonwealth Department of Health and Family Services 1998 Home and Community Care (HACC) Data Dictionary Version 1.0 Canberra: DHFS
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## Data element concept attributes