

# Child

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

<b>Metadata item type:</b>	Glossary Item
<b>METEOR identifier:</b>	346949
<b>Registration status:</b>	<a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 31/08/2007
<b>Definition:</b>	<p>A person:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• of any age who is a natural, adopted, step, or foster son or daughter of a couple or lone parent, usually resident in the same household</li></ul> <p>or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• under 15 years of age, usually resident in the household, who forms a parent-child relationship with another member in the household. This includes otherwise related children under 15 and unrelated children under 15.</li></ul>
<b>Context:</b>	Family structure

## Collection and usage attributes

<b>Comments:</b>	In order to be classified as a child, the person can have no partner or child of his/her own usually resident in the household. A separate family in the household is formed in this instance. If a person is aged under 15 and has a partner and/or a spouse these relationships are not recorded.
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## Source and reference attributes

<b>Submitting organisation:</b>	Australian Bureau of Statistics
<b>Origin:</b>	Australian Bureau of Statistics 2001. Census Dictionary. Cat. no. 2901.0. Canberra: ABS.

## Relational attributes

<b>Metadata items which use this glossary item:</b>	<a href="#">Dependent child</a> <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 31/08/2007
	<a href="#">Non-dependent child</a> <a href="#">Community Services (retired)</a> , Standard 31/08/2007