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| Identifying and definitional attributes | |
| Metadata item type: | Property |
| Synonymous names: | ABN |
| METEOR identifier: | 429119 |
| Registration status: | [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 06/02/2012  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 13/11/2014 |
| Definition: | A unique identifier allocated to an entity for the purposes of identification in dealings with the Australian Government, or for other Commonwealth purposes, in particular with respect to taxation laws. |
| Property group: | [Organisational characteristics](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/274656) |

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| Source and reference attributes | |
| Submitting organisation: | Australian Institute of Health and Welfare |
| Origin: | LexisNexis Butterworths 2002. Business and Law Dictionary. Australia: LexisNexis Butterworths Australia |
| Reference documents: | Australian Taxation Office, 2010. ABN specific questions. Australian Taxation Office, Canberra. Viewed 18 February 2011,  [http://www.abr.business.gov.au/ (kw4prb55dzkowt55asotjoq0)/ content.aspx?page=FAQabn#WhatIs](http://www.abr.business.gov.au/(kw4prb55dzkowt55asotjoq0)/content.aspx?page=FAQabn#WhatIs)  Australian Taxation Office, 2010. ABN Essentials. Australian Taxation Office, Canberra. Viewed 18 February 2011,  [http://www.ato.gov.au/businesses/ pathway.asp?pc=001/003/021/001](http://www.ato.gov.au/businesses/pathway.asp?pc=001/003/021/001) |
| Relational attributes | |
| Data Element Concepts implementing this property: | [Entity—Australian business number (ABN)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/content/429144)  [Community Services (retired)](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/3), Standard 06/02/2012  [Health!](https://meteor-uat.aihw.gov.au/RegistrationAuthority/14), Standard 13/11/2014 |