Address—country identifier, country code (SACC 2016) NNNN

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Identifying and definitional attributes

Metadata item type:	Data Element
Short name:	Country identifier
METEOR identifier:	659626
Registration status:	Health!, Standard 06/12/2016
Definition:	The country component of an address, as represented by a code.
Data Element Concept:	Address—country identifier
Value Domain:	Country code (SACC 2016) NNNN

Value domain attributes

Representational attributes

Classification scheme:	Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016
Representation class:	Code
Data type:	Number
Format:	NNNN
Maximum character length:	4

Collection and usage attributes

Guide for use:	The Standard Australian Classification of Countries 2016 (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.

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Data element attributes

Collection and usage attributes

Collection methods:	Data should be collected at the 4-digit level.
Comments:	Note that the Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC) is mappable to but not identical to the Australian Standard Classification of Countries for Social Statistics (ASCCSS).

Source and reference attributes

Submitting organisation:	Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

Reference documents: Australian Bureau of Statistics 2016. [Standard Australian Classification of Countries (SACC), 2016](#). ABS cat. no. 1269.0. Canberra: ABS.

Standards Australia 2014. AS 4846:2014 Person and provider identification in healthcare. Sydney: Standards Australia.

Relational attributes

Related metadata references: Supersedes [Address—country identifier, country code (SACC 2011) NNNN](#) [Health!](#), Superseded 06/12/2016

Implementation in Data Set Specifications: [Address components cluster](#) [Health!](#), Standard 05/10/2016