

# Applicant

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## Identifying and definitional attributes

**Metadata item type:** Glossary Item

**Synonymous names:** Applicant

**METEOR identifier:** 689413

**Registration status:** [Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021

**Definition:** A married couple, a de facto couple or a single person. The method by which the applicant becomes an official client will vary for each jurisdiction, and might be when the department first opens a file, when the applicant registers, or when the applicant is invited to attend an information session. For the purpose of this report, applicants who are already a client of the department, but are applying to adopt a subsequent child, or reapplying to adopt, are counted as applicants applying for the first time.

## Source and reference attributes

**Submitting organisation:** Australian Institute of Health and Welfare

## Relational attributes

**Related metadata references:** Has been superseded by [Applicant \(adoption\)](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Standard 03/11/2021

**Metadata items which use this glossary item:** [Adoptions DSS 2016-17](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 12/11/2018

[Adoptions DSS 2017-18](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 02/12/2019

[Adoptions DSS 2018-19](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 20/01/2021

[Adoptions DSS 2019-20](#)  
[Children and Families](#), Superseded 03/11/2021