

Benevolent Society adoption register [Dependent Children and Adoptions Branch, Department of Community Services]

23 May 1969 – 1 September 1975

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Records Location

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Details

This series, Benevolent Society adoption register [Dependent Children and Adoptions Branch, Department of Community Services], covers records relating to the adoption of children between 1969 and 1975 through the Benevolent Society of New South Wales. This series is made up of two books or volumes that contain entries relating to adoptive parents, birth parents, and children who were adopted through the Benevolent Society of New South Wales between 1969 and 1975. The entry for each birth mother includes a serial number, this serial number is also included in the entry for adoptive parents of the birth mothers children enabling clear identification of an individual's adoptive and birth parents.

Access Conditions

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Records

The first of these two volumes concerns adoptive parents and contains the following information for each entry: prospective parents' name, address, religion and dates of birth; the date references were received; the date of birth and sex of the child (where the application has proceeded); date of placement of the child and its age at that time; the name of the solicitor; the court serial number and the agency's serial number.

The second volume concerns the natural mother and includes the following information: name, address, marital status, religion and ethnic origin of the mother; age, marital status and ethnic origin of the natural father; the child's date of birth, sex and legal status at that time; the court serial number and the agency's serial number.

The agency serial number for an entry in the natural mother's volume corresponds to the agency serial number of the family the child was placed with.

More info

Organisations in these records

Related Organisations

- [Benevolent Society of New South Wales \(1813 - current\)](#)
- [Child Welfare Department, State Government of New South Wales \(1923 - 1970\)](#)
- [Department of Child Welfare and Social Welfare, State Government of New South Wales \(1970 - 1973\)](#)
- [Department of Youth and Community Services, State Government of New South Wales \(1973 - 1975\)](#)
- [Department of Youth, Ethnic and Community Affairs, State Government of New South Wales \(1975 - 1976\)](#)

Related Concepts

- [Adoption in New South Wales \(c. 1923 - current\)](#)

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