

# Foreign key

## Definition

A foreign key is a [data element](#) of a [data file](#) that corresponds to a [primary key](#) of another [data file](#).

## Relation

|             |                  |                              |                                      |
|-------------|------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Foreign key | is subtype of    | <a href="#">data element</a> |                                      |
| Foreign key | corresponds with | <a href="#">primary key</a>  | of another <a href="#">data file</a> |

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