

# Master data

## Definition

Master data is a [data category](#) held by an organisation which describes [objects](#) that it needs to reference in order to perform its transactions.

## Reference(s)

Instances of master data are: customers, [suppliers](#), products, services, employees and assets.

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