### ST\_MailMergeSourceType (Mail Merge ODSO Data Source Types)

This simple [type](type.docx) specifies the [type](type.docx) of external data source to be connected to via as part of the ODSO connection information for this mail merge. This setting is purely a suggestion of the data source [type](type.docx) which is being used for this mail merge, and may be ignored in favor of an alternative mechanism if one is present.

[Example: Consider the following WordprocessingML fragment for a mail merge source or merged document:

<w:[type](type.docx) w:val="database" />

The [type](type.docx) element's val attribute is equal to database, specifying that the given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to an external data source via the ODSO settings, and that the resulting data source was a database. end example]

This simple type's contents are a restriction of the [XML](XML.docx) Schema string datatype.

The following are possible enumeration values for this type:

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| Enumeration Value | Description |
| addressBook (Address Book Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocesingML document has been connected to an address book of contacts. |
| database (Database Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to a database. |
| document1 (Alternate Document Format Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to another document [format](format.docx) supported by the producing application. The [format](format.docx) of this document is application-defined and outside the scope of this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard. |
| document2 (Alternate Document Format Data Source Two) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to another document [format](format.docx) supported by the producing application. The [format](format.docx) of this document is application-defined and outside the scope of this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard. |
| email (E-Mail Program Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to an e-mail application. |
| [legacy](legacy.docx) (Legacy Document Format Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to a [legacy](legacy.docx) document [format](format.docx) supported by the producing application. The [format](format.docx) of this [legacy](legacy.docx) document is application-defined and outside the scope of this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard. |
| master (Aggregate Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to a data source which aggregates other data sources. |
| native (Native Data Souce) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to another document [format](format.docx) native to the producing application. The [format](format.docx) of this document is application-defined and outside the scope of this Office Open [XML](XML.docx) Standard. |
| text (Text File Data Source) | Specifies that a given merged WordprocessingML document has been connected to a text file. |

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| Referenced By |
| type@val (§) |

The following [XML](XML.docx) Schema fragment defines the contents of this simple type:

<simpleType [name](name.docx)="ST\_MailMergeSourceType">

 <restriction base="xsd:string">

 <enumeration value="database"/>

 <enumeration value="addressBook"/>

 <enumeration value="document1"/>

 <enumeration value="document2"/>

 <enumeration value="[text](text.docx)"/>

 <enumeration value="email"/>

 <enumeration value="native"/>

 <enumeration value="[legacy](legacy.docx)"/>

 <enumeration value="master"/>

 </restriction>

</simpleType>