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Multipurpose Household Survey 2017-18

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) proposes to collect information for the purpose of understanding, and informing, economic and social analyses of households.

The information will be collected:
- during 2017-18 on a monthly basis
- from a sample of responding households in the Labour Force Survey
- from a sample of about 27,000 households
- by computer assisted telephone interview
- across Australia

Information will be collected on a range of characteristics including:
- work related injuries
- cultural attendance and participation
- patient experience
- home security measures
- crime victimisation

The information collected will be used by the ABS in the compilation/analysis of publications and confidentialised unit record files.

The ABS expects to make statistical and related information from the collection available from late 2018.

The principal users of the information the ABS produces will be:
- Department of Treasury
- Department of Education and Training
- Department of Employment
- Department of Social Services
- Department of Health
- Safe Work Australia
- Attorney-General’s Department (including Ministry for the Arts and police agencies)
- State and territory equivalents of the above departments
- Community organisations and researchers

Results from the survey will be used to assist in the development, implementation and evaluation of a range of government policies and initiatives.

To assist in determining the feasibility of the collection and to understand and manage respondent burden consistent with the Government’s Regulator Performance Framework, the ABS:
- has considered what existing information is available
• has consulted with stakeholders, including the Meeting of Cultural Ministers’ Statistics Working Group (representing Ministry for the Arts, Attorney-General’s Department) and Safe Work Australia

This collection was last conducted in 2016/17 and was previously tabled in Parliament as Proposal No. 6 of 2015.

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