

Release of list of business characteristics to the Australian Government Department of Education

In accordance with the requirements of section 14 of the *Census and Statistics (Information Release and Access) Determination 2018*, made under section 13 of the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) has released a list of business characteristics, the details of which are as follows:

The ABS has disclosed to the Australian Government Department of Education (DoE) a list of information relating to the business characteristics of non-government schools, including school name. The information was sourced from data integrated by the ABS from DoE and the Person Level Integrated Data Asset (PLIDA).

The list will be used for the purpose of the Capacity to Contribute project, to inform research, policy and calculation of the amount of base recurrent funding to non-government schools from the Commonwealth Government under the *Australian Education Act 2013*. This purpose does not involve enforcing any obligation or liability applicable under an enactment.

For each school in the list, the ABS provided:

- school name, school identifier and school sector
- school geographic area
- scores for Capacity to Contribute (CtC) and annual Direct Measure of Income (DMI)
- linkage and coverage rate of administrative data associated with the CtC and DMI score, and
- missingness, accuracy and volatility measures of parental income associated with the DMI score.

The DoE has provided the ABS with a signed undertaking, which outlines agreed upon terms and conditions for the use and management of the information disclosed.

The list was disclosed on 14 September 2026.



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