

**AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS ACT 1975: sub-section 6(3)****AUSTRALIAN PUBLIC SERVICE EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION, AUSTRALIA**

The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) proposes to collect Australian Public Service employment information from existing Commonwealth Government administrative data sources for public interest research and statistical analysis purposes.

The information will be collected in relation to reference periods from 30 June 2005 onwards and is sourced from the Australian Public Service Employment Database (APSED), held by the Australian Public Service Commission. Data will be supplied to the ABS using a secure file transfer.

Information will be collected on a range of characteristics of Australian Public Service employees, including:

- basic demographic information;
- engagement, employment and workplace location details;
- job and classification information;
- educational attainment and qualification information; and
- diversity and equal opportunity employment characteristics.

The ABS expects to make statistical and related information from the collection available from mid-2025 onwards. The principal users of the information are authorised researchers for approved projects via the Person Level Integrated Data Asset (PLIDA).

PLIDA combines data on healthcare, education, government payments, income and taxation, employment, and population demographics. PLIDA provides whole-of life insights that can improve the lives of all Australians, facilitating the use and re-use of public data for research purposes.

Linking APSED administrative data with PLIDA will enhance workforce insights and support policy development by enabling detailed analysis of Australian public service employment trends and demographics.

Consistent with the Government's Regulator Performance Framework, this administrative data collection avoids potential costs and reporting burden by reusing available data.

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