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QUARTERLY BUSINESS INDICATORS SURVEY

The Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to conduct the Quarterly Business Indicators Survey for 2013-14, which will be conducted on a quarterly basis from January 2014.

The information will be collected by electronic form from a sample of approximately 16,500 businesses in the private sector.

Information will be collected on a range of characteristics including:

- income from sales of goods and services;
- wages and salaries;
- net operating profit/loss; and
- inventories.

The primary purpose of the survey will be to assist in producing key indicators on the performance of the Australian economy.

Results from the survey will be used in the compilation of the quarterly Australian National Accounts and for analysis by government agencies, industry associations, businesses, research organisations and the media.

The survey has been field tested to ensure that the required data are available and provider load has been minimised. The survey has been cleared through the Statistical Clearing House.

This survey was last tabled as Proposal No. 15 of 2002.

Results from the survey are expected to be released from early 2014.

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