

AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS ACT 1975: sub-section 6(3)

PROPOSAL NO. 37 OF 2013

BY

AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS

## LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERED SURVEY

The Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to conduct a Livestock Slaughtered Survey from December 2013.

The survey will be conducted by mail from a sample of approximately 145 slaughtering businesses nationally.

Information will be collected on a range of livestock slaughtering indicators including:

- dressed carcass weight for a range of livestock types;
- cost per head for a range of livestock types; and
- total cattle, sheep, pigs, goats and deer slaughtered.

The primary purpose of the survey is to assist in the understanding of the livestock slaughter industries.

The principal users of the survey will be:

- Australian Bureau of Statistics in the compilation of the National Accounts;
- Meat and Livestock Australia;
- Australian Pork Limited;
- state agricultural departments; and
- other key industry bodies.

Results from the survey will be used to monitor the livestock slaughtering industry, and for planning and economic and performance analysis.

The survey has been extensively field tested to ensure that the required data are readily available and that provider load has been minimised as much as possible. There has been a high level of respondent cooperation, therefore, no significant adverse respondent reaction is expected, including from the migration to electronic web collection of information.

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

This survey is likely to be repeated monthly on a continuing basis.

Brian Pink  
Australian Statistician

November 2013