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## MARRIAGES COLLECTION

The Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to collect information from administrative records held by state and territory registries of births, deaths and marriages for Marriages Collection for the 2014 calendar year.

The Australian Bureau of Statistics expects that this collection will continue to be undertaken monthly on an ongoing basis. Data are submitted to the Australian Bureau of Statistics electronically by secure means.

Information will be collected on a range of characteristics including:

- the marriage of people and covers marriages registered with the state and territory registries of births, deaths and marriages;
- details about the marriage; and
- information about the bride and groom (e.g. names and addresses, date of marriage, dates of birth, year of birth of any previous children of bride and/or groom, date of termination of any previous marriage).

The primary purpose of the collection is:

- to develop indicators of the social well-being of Australian society;
- for social program development;
- for social research; and
- in conjunction with Census data to provide a picture of family formation and dissolution.

The principal users of the collection will be:

- Australian Parliament;
- other policy makers; and
- the public.

Results from the collection are expected to be released from late 2014.

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