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## SURVEY OF JOB VACANCIES

The Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to continue conducting the Survey of Job Vacancies on a quarterly basis.

The information will be collected by telephone from a sample of approximately 5,000 businesses in the private and public sectors in respect of the number of job vacancies available for immediate filling on the actual survey reference date and for which employers have undertaken recruitment action.

The survey produces estimates of the number of job vacancies in Australia which is used as a leading indicator of employment growth, in monitoring of the Australian labour market and economy, and for formulating economic policy. Consequently there are a large number of users from both Commonwealth and State government bodies, employer associations, economists and trade unions. Examples of agencies which use the information include the Reserve Bank of Australia, Treasury and Australian Council of Trade Unions.

Results from the survey will be published for the economy as a whole, and separately for the private and public sectors. Data will also be published for each State and Territory, and industry.

There has been a high level of respondent cooperation and no significant adverse respondent reaction is expected.

Results from the quarterly collection are published in Job Vacancies, Australia (catalogue no. 6354.0).

This survey was last tabled as Proposal No. 4 of 1999.

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