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**CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY SURVEY 2011-12**

The Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to conduct a survey of construction services in Australia for the 2011-12 financial year. Surveys on this topic are conducted periodically, the last covering 2002-03.

The survey will be conducted by mail commencing August 2012, from a national sample of approximately 3,500 businesses.

Information to be collected will include:

- details of employment, income and expenses;
- a range of activity data relevant to the provision of construction services; and
- details of business structure and performance.

The survey has been developed in consultation with relevant federal and state government departments, and major industry representative bodies. These include the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education; state treasury departments; the Housing Industry Association; and the Australian Construction Industry Forum.

Results from the survey will:

- assist in understanding the structure and nature of construction services in the Australian economy;
- provide data for economic planning and performance analysis; and
- be used in the compilation of the Australian National Accounts.

The survey questions have been extensively field tested to ensure that the required data are readily available and that provider load is minimised. No significant adverse respondent reaction is anticipated.

Results from the survey are expected to be released in mid 2013.

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