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SURVEY OF CULTURAL FUNDING BY GOVERNMENT

Commencing in February 2013, the Australian Bureau of Statistics proposes to conduct a survey to collect information on the provision of cultural funding in respect of the 2011-12 financial year, from Australian, State, Territory and Local governments across Australia. It is expected that the survey will be repeated annually.

The survey will collect information on the amount of recurrent and capital funding provided by government departments and local councils for arts and cultural activities, facilities and services. These include libraries, museums, performing arts, visual arts and crafts, and broadcasting and film.

The main users of the data will be government agencies and community groups with an interest in cultural activities. The results will be used to examine the amount of funding by the three levels of government, and to monitor changes in funding over time. The information will assist in the planning and allocation of government funding for future programs.

No significant adverse respondent reaction to the survey is expected.

Results from the survey are expected to be available in August 2013.

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