

# **Collection statement for Survey of Australian Migrants**

## **Background and purpose**

The survey will provide up to date information about recently arrived migrants or migrants who have recently been granted a permanent or provisional visa (that is, new visa holders), including their reason for coming to Australia, their experience of working in Australia, their education in Australia and overseas, and their level of English ability.

The results of the survey will be used to determine how effective the Department of Home Affairs current policies are. The results will also help the Department understand how well migrants are settling into Australia and the types of issues migrants experience. Understanding these factors enables the Australian Government to provide better settlement services for migrants and to improve Australia's Migration Program.

We will only use the information you provide for this specific purpose.

This survey should take around 10 minutes to complete.

Participation in this research is voluntary. You can choose not to answer any question. You can decide to stop at any time.

# Who is conducting the research?

The Social Research Centre has been engaged by the Department of Home Affairs to conduct the research.

Your contact details were provided to us by the Department of Home Affairs.

## Information held and collected

The Department of Home Affairs has provided your contact and demographic details for the purposes of conducting this survey. Including name, phone number, and email. The survey will retain these details for the duration of the longitudinal survey. The survey will ask about your migration experiences including employment and income.

The survey also collects information on partners of recent migrants and/or new visa holders to understand experiences for this group of individuals. To do this, the survey will ask for some information about your partner. This can include personal information, such as employment status and income. Please note, all information collected will be de-identified and maintained in the strictest of confidence.

### Disclosure and use

For the purposes of enriching the understanding of migrant settlement journeys, your information may be matched with other information you may have provided to the Australian Government, such as Income Tax, Medicare. The matching is performed by an authorised Government Agency that can only see contact details and not any of the information. Once matched, your personal name and contact details are removed from your survey responses so you remain anonymous. All analysis is anonymous.

#### Other matters

The Social Research Centre fully complies with the Australian Privacy Principles and all applicable privacy legislation. Our <u>privacy policy</u> contains general information on how the Social Research Centre protects your privacy rights. It also contains information about how we secure your data, how you can make a privacy-related complaint, access and correction of your information, and the general circumstances under which your information may be disclosed to overseas recipients.



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