



2026 Commonwealth Integrity Survey

This participant information document tells you about the 2026 Commonwealth Integrity Survey. It explains what is involved in participating and will help you decide if you want to participate. Please read this information carefully and if you have any questions, please contact your agency's survey coordinator in the first instance, or alternatively contact the National Anti-Corruption Commission's survey team:

corruption.survey@nacc.gov.au

Participation in the survey is voluntary; there is no obligation to take part. If you choose not to participate there will be no disadvantage to you or your career. However, the more people who respond, the more representative and useful the results will be.

What is the purpose of this survey?

The purpose of the survey is to understand your observations and perceptions of integrity and corruption and to identify potential areas of risk within your agency.

Agencies can use this survey data to measure trends in perceptions of integrity and corruption risks to inform anti-corruption strategies.

Who is conducting the survey?

The National Anti-Corruption Commission (NACC) is conducting the survey with assistance from your agency and an external service provider, the Australian Survey Research Group Pty Ltd.

What do I need to do?

Participation involves the completion of an online survey which is expected to take approximately 15 minutes.

You may complete the survey in one or multiple sessions by exiting and returning to it later. Each employee receives a randomly generated code on initial entry to the survey link that may be used to return to the survey.

The survey complies with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines version 2.2 (as recommended by the Australian Government Information Management Office). The survey can also be completed verbally by contacting the survey provider on the link provided.

Why was I invited to participate?

You have been invited to participate because you are employed by a non-corporate or corporate Commonwealth entity, or a Commonwealth company. A list of these agencies can be found on the Department of Finance's [website](#). This is commonly called the Commonwealth public sector.

The survey has been disseminated through your agency, and the NACC has not collected your name or email address. No personal identifying details are associated with your response.

Who will see my response?

All responses from your agency are provided to the NACC's survey team, who analyse the results to identify corruption trends and issues related to your agency. Your name and contact details are not provided to the NACC and are not linked to your survey response.

The NACC provides your agency with a de-identified, aggregated report of your agency's results. Trends in particular work areas are only reported to your agency where at least 10 people from that area have responded. This helps preserve the anonymity of all responses.

If you are from a very small agency (for example, where fewer than 10 people completed the survey), your agency report may only refer to whole of Commonwealth public sector learnings.

Your individual response will not be made available to anyone in your agency. No identifying information (e.g. email address) is attached to your response.

Is my participation voluntary? Do I need to complete the survey?

Your participation is completely voluntary. You can choose not to participate without having to provide a reason for doing so or experience any disadvantage as a result of your decision.

You can also elect to skip particular questions by selecting the option 'prefer not to say'.

The survey includes questions about the type of work you do, classification (APS1-6, EL1-2, etc) and status (ongoing, non-ongoing, contractor, etc). This helps us to understand differences in perceptions held by different groups within your organisation. There are no personal demographic questions.

What are the benefits of participating?

By completing this survey, you have an opportunity to provide vital feedback to your agency and the NACC. Agencies and the NACC will use the results of this survey to identify potential corruption vulnerabilities, improve our understanding of constituent parts of the Commonwealth public sector, and identify any integrity issues, topics or themes that can inform our corruption prevention and education initiatives.

By better understanding the views and experiences of integrity and corruption in your workforce, agencies and the NACC will be better positioned to evaluate, inform and protect you and your agency from corruption.

What do I do if I feel uncomfortable about a question in the survey?

The survey's questions are general in nature, but if you feel uncomfortable about any question, you can elect to skip by selecting the 'prefer not to say' option.

If you require assistance with the survey you can contact your agency's survey coordinator. Alternatively, you can contact the NACC's survey team:

corruption.survey@nacc.gov.au

If you need additional support, please contact your agency's employee assistance program. Alternatively, you can contact an external support service such as:

- [Lifeline](#)
- [Beyond Blue](#)
- [Suicide Call Back Service](#)
- [MensLine Australia](#)
- [Australian Government Health Direct](#)
- [Qlife](#)
- [13Yarn](#)

How is my privacy protected?

The NACC and the external service provider that manage the survey report are not provided with any of your identifying details such as your name or contact address. The NACC ensures that the report provided to your agency head is de-identified and

aggregated to help protect the anonymity of respondents who work in small teams. There are strict rules in place so that when less than 10 employees from a work area or an agency respond, no data is displayed for that work area or agency.

Please do not provide personal information about yourself or any other person in any of your survey answers. For example, do not include a name or position in your response in open-ended questions where you can provide free-text responses.

The NACC reviews all answers to ensure no person can be identified from their answers, or the answers of others.

The NACC will not use data collected during the survey to attempt to identify any person.

The NACC does not publicly compare or rate agency performance on integrity matters. However, some agency heads may wish to publish or share their agency's results once the NACC provides them with their aggregated results.

How is my information stored?

Your responses to the survey will be stored securely by the external service provider managing the survey. All survey data and associated files are stored on servers that are Australian-owned and located within Australia. The provider employs data management systems and a security policy which are IRAP compliant and ISO 27001 (Information Security Management System) certified. No employee data is provided to or held by the service provider.

The survey provider supplies de-identified, individual-level survey data to the NACC, which is stored on the NACC's information and communications technology infrastructure in accordance with the Protective Security Policy Framework (PSPF). Access to data is restricted based on end-user, access-level profiles, and only staff with a need-to-know are granted access on a secure system. To obtain any dataset of de-identified data, agencies will agree to store the data in a manner consistent with the Australian Privacy Principles and the PSPF.

Is this the right place to make a report on corrupt conduct?

The survey is not the right place to make a report of suspected corrupt conduct. To make a report, please contact your agency's integrity area or contact the NACC through [its website](#) or call 1300 489 844.

Where do I go if I have questions or complaints?

If you have any further questions, please contact your agency's integrity area in the first instance or the NACC survey team: corruption.survey@nacc.gov.au

If you wish to make a complaint about the survey, please contact your agency's integrity area, the NACC survey team at corruption.survey@nacc.gov.au, or the [NACC Inspector](#).