

Name of collection: *Information and Communication Technology Industries Survey*

<p>Nature of collection If possible, use the classification of collection types shown above e.g. <i>ICT use collection – business</i>. For “other” collections, provide details e.g. <i>Other ICT collection – ISPs</i>.</p>	ICT supply collection – ICT sector.
<p>Collection agency</p>	Australian Bureau of Statistics http://www.abs.gov.au
<p>General references to collection material Metadata, questionnaires etc</p>	<p>Information and Communication Technology Industries Survey.</p> <p>Additional methodological information can be found in the Explanatory notes and Technical note to the latest publication.</p> <p>Note that ABS questionnaires are not publicly available. Main data items collected are included in the survey link above.</p>
<p>Survey basis or vehicle E.g. Labour Force supplement, standalone survey, administrative byproduct data</p>	Standalone survey.
<p>Frequency of collection</p>	Biennial.
<p>Collection history Reference dates and/or periods from the first to the latest collection</p>	1987-88 Computer Services Industry Survey; 1992-93, 1995-96, 1998-99, 2000-01 , 2002-03 ICT and 2004-05 Industry Survey (all relevant industries including computer services and telecommunication services).
<p>Whether collection is mandatory or voluntary</p>	Mandatory.
<p>Scope and coverage of collection Target population in terms of size, industry, population groups etc</p>	Relevant ANZSIC classes in Manufacturing, Wholesale, Telecommunication Services and Computer Services according to the OECD definition of the ICT sector. For details, see links under General references to collection material .
<p>Main classifications used E.g. industry, size, commodity, occupation</p>	See links under General references to collection material .
<p>Collection methodology E.g. face-to-face, mail, Web, telephone interview</p>	Mail-out Mail-back survey.
<p>Reporting and Statistical units Enterprise, establishment, household, etc</p>	See links under General references to collection material .
<p>Sample frame used</p>	ABS Business Register.
<p>Sampling method E.g. stratified random sampling, cluster sampling</p>	Stratified random sampling (stratified by industry, state/territory and number of employees).
<p>Sample size For the most recent collection</p>	2,700.
<p>Response rate The responding proportion of the live in-scope population, most recent collection</p>	94%.
<p>Methods for dealing with non-response</p>	Not considered to be a significant issue. Initial follow up is

<p>(item and unit) Indicate whether imputations are made for non-response and a short description of methods used.</p>	<p>undertaken through reminders to businesses. Intensive follow-up (IFU) commences approximately 7 days after the final reminder. Live Respondent Mean and Clerical Imputations are undertaken for non-responding units.</p>
<p>Weighting of results Weighting method e.g. by employment, number of enterprises, revenue</p>	<p>Number-raised by stratum.</p>
<p>Relative standard errors (or coefficients of variation) on main aggregates These can be expressed as a range of values. For a given variable, the RSE or CV is equal to the ratio of the square root of the estimate of the sampling variance to the estimated value. It can be expressed as a fraction or a percentage.</p>	<p>Most published estimates have RSEs less than 10%. At the total level the ICT Specific business and all business have RSEs less than 5%. See Technical note.</p>
<p>Known data quality issues with this collection E.g. non-response bias, comparability problems over time, definitional issues, coverage deficiencies, timeliness of frame, high item non-response (identify topics which are particularly problematic).</p>	<p>There are comparability over time issues. There are also some comparability issues with other related ABS data due to different industry coding practices used in the ICT supply survey.</p>
<p>Output details Please list (or link to) relevant publications for this collection. You can also email relevant files to the OECD.</p>	<p>Information Technology, Australia (cat. no. 8126.0)</p>
<p>Other comments</p>	<p>None. See above links, which provide descriptions of the collections and the most recent summary results.</p>
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