



## Census and Statistics (Statistical Information) Direction 2017

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I, SCOTT JOHN MORRISON, Treasurer, give this direction to the Australian Statistician (the *Statistician*) under paragraph 9(1)(b) of the *Census and Statistics Act 1905*.

Dated 9 August 2017

SCOTT JOHN MORRISON  
Treasurer

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### 1. Name

This is the Census and Statistics (Statistical Information) Direction 2017.

### 2. Authority

This direction is given under paragraph 9(1)(b) of the *Census and Statistics Act 1905* (the *Statistics Act*).

### 3. Collection of statistics

- (1) The Statistician is to collect the following statistical information in relation to matters prescribed for the purposes of section 9 of the Statistics Act (in particular, one or more of items 5, 30 and 38 in the table in regulation 13 of the *Census and Statistics Regulation 2016*):
  - (a) statistical information about the proportion of electors who wish to express a view about whether the law should be changed to allow same-sex couples to marry (*participating electors*);
  - (b) statistical information about the proportion of participating electors who are in favour of the law being changed to allow same-sex couples to marry;

- (c) statistical information about the proportion of participating electors who are against the law being changed to allow same-sex couples to marry.
- (2) The statistical information is to include information about participating electors at the national level, at the level of each State and Territory, and at the level of each electoral division.
- (3) The statistical information identified is to be published on or before 15 November 2017.
- (4) In this section:
  - elector* means a person:
    - (a) enrolled on the Commonwealth electoral roll at the end of 24 August 2017;  
or
    - (b) who has made a valid application for enrolment on the Commonwealth electoral roll before the end of 24 August 2017.