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**CORRIGENDUM**

**1988-89 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY, AUSTRALIA  
DETAILED EXPENDITURE ITEMS  
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An error has been detected in Table 3 of the above publication. The Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia, Factor Line and Sample size cut-offs for estimates with an RSE of more than 25% were incorrectly calculated for two lines of data. Other tables in the publication are not affected.

The corrected figures for the above are included in the attached replacement pages.

The figures in error are on page 51 in 101-735 Total commodity and service expenditure, and on page 52 in 753-762 Total other capital housing costs. Replace the values 0.8 D (a) with 1.0 D (a) and replace the values 3.0 B (a) with 18.5 B 2,714.

Further, for references in the footnotes to 'Appendix E' in Tables 1 and 2 in this publication, read 'The Technical Note' on page 60.

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TABLE 3. 1988-89 HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE SURVEY  
COMMODITY CODE LIST AND MEASURES FOR OBTAINING RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS (RSEs) OF EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES—continued

1988-89 HES commodity code list	Notes on contents	Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia	Factor for Line	Sample size cut-offs for estimates with an RSE of more than 25%
95 Miscellaneous services				
720	Government duties and charges separately identified			
721	Financial institution charges n.e.c.	23.0	F	6,267
722	Alimony or maintenance payments	32.0	A	(b)
723	Cash gifts, donations to charity	19.0	C	3,380
724	Pocket money or allowance	7.2	C	(a)
725	Union dues, professional association subscriptions	5.5	E	(a)
726	Legal fees	5.8	D	(a)
727	Fees n.e.c.	36.0	A	(b)
728	Fines	11.0	D	950
729	Personal belongings insurance	17.0	C	2,460
731	Personal advertising, etc.	9.0	D	575
732	Non-holiday accommodation	13.0	D	1,443
734	Repair of miscellaneous goods	16.0	C	2,069
735	Miscellaneous services n.e.c.	13.0	D	1,443
720-735	Miscellaneous services	9.4	D	641
		5.7	C	(a)
701-735	Total Miscellaneous Commodities and Services	2.8	D	(a)
101-735	TOTAL COMMODITY AND SERVICE EXPENDITURE	1.0	D	(a)
SELECTED OTHER PAYMENTS				
EXP 14 INCOME TAX				
96 Income tax		2.0	C	(a)
EXP 15 MORTGAGE PAYMENTS-PRINCIPAL (selected dwelling)				
97 Mortgage payments - principal (selected dwelling)		4.8	E	(a)
EXP 16 OTHER CAPITAL HOUSING COSTS				
98 Other capital housing costs		12.4	D	1,283
753	Principal component of mortgage payment for other property			
754	Purchase of selected dwelling or other property (excluding mortgage payments but including outright purchase, deposit net of sales)			
755	Additions / extensions	63.1	(c)	2,220
756	Internal renovations	16.4	C	514
757	Insulation	8.6	D	514
		21.9	B	4,762

For footnotes see end of table.

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 COMMODITY CODE LIST AND MEASURES FOR OBTAINING RELATIVE STANDARD ERRORS (RSEs) OF EXPENDITURE ESTIMATES—continued

1988-89 HES commodity code list	Notes on contents	Relative Standard Error (%) for Australia	Factor Line	Sample size cut-offs for estimates with an RSE of more than 25%
758	Inground swimming pool	27.8	B	(b)
759	Outside building	9.6	D	676
760	Landscape contractor	18.1	C	2,942
761	Outside improvements n.e.c.	8.0	D	428
762	Capital housing costs n.e.c.	46.2	A	(b)
753-762	Total other capital housing costs	18.5	B	2,714
<b>EXP 17 SUPERANNUATION AND LIFE INSURANCE</b>				
99	Superannuation and life insurance			
771	Superannuation and annuities	2.8	E	(a)
772	Life insurance	4.4	D	(a)
771-772	Superannuation and life insurance	2.4	E	(a)
751-772	Total Selected Other Payments	2.6	D	(a)
<b>101-772 TOTAL HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE (Including Selected Other Payments)</b>				
		0.9	D	(a)

(a) All estimates in this publication have an RSE of less than 25 per cent. (b) All estimates in the publication have an RSE of greater than 25%. (c) For a small number of items no factor line could be determined by the modelling procedure, either because the sample data had too few instances of expenditure on the item, or because the model had an inadequate fit. The relative standard error of these items is very high at the Australian level and so all estimates for these items must be treated with great caution.

