





ESSENTIAL STATISTICAL ASSETS FOR AUSTRALIA

ESA – 458 TAXATION REVENUE AND TRANSFERS

Summary of Quality Assessment Results										
Overall ESA Assessment	Institutional Environment	Relevance	Timeliness	Accuracy	Coherence	Interpretability	Accessibility			
Green	Green	Green	Amber	Green	Green	Green	Green			

List of Contributing Datasets and Custodians

• Taxation Statistics (ATO)

ESA Elements										
Pillar	Dimension	Description	Critical Frequency	Critical Spatial	Critical Disaggregation					
Economy	National Income	Includes taxation (including income tax, GST and fringe benefits tax); excise and fuel schemes; superannuation; the Higher Education Loan Program; and payments and transfers through the Australian taxation system.	Annually	National, State/ Territory	Age, Sex, Income					

Overall ESA Assessment

The quality of ESA – 458 Taxation Revenue and Transfers was assessed as a green traffic light for the purpose of ESA. The overall quality of this statistic met an acceptable standard for the quality indicators selected and the appropriate quality practices and processes were in place. The data custodian can be contacted for further information about the quality of the dataset which contributed to the statistic.

For more detailed quality information about each dimension, see over page



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Institutional Environment

The statistic scored a green traffic light for institutional environment. There were sufficient quality and risk management processes in place, protections for confidentiality and archiving processes. Staff were trained in data collation and the statistical purpose of the administrative records.

Relevance

The statistic scored a green traffic light for relevance. All key information identified in the description of the statistic was available. The critical spatial levels and critical disaggregations identified for the statistic were also available.

Timeliness

The statistic scored an amber traffic light for timeliness. The critical frequency for the statistic was met and users were able to access the release of new data when expected. The duration between collection and release of data was not timely.

Accuracy

The statistic scored a green traffic light for accuracy. There were no known under or overcounts. The accuracy was consistent for information collected within the dataset. Some of the target population were not sufficiently represented for the statistic, such as entities that fail to lodge tax returns.

Coherence

The statistic scored a green traffic light for coherence. Most information for the statistic was able to be compared over time with population and characteristic definitions remaining mostly consistent and minimal changes to collection procedures. External sources were available for data confrontation.

Interpretability

The statistic scored a green traffic light for interpretability. Data quality statements, information to help users to understand the data and descriptions of conceptual limitations of the data were available. Users were able to access additional support if needed.

Accessibility

The statistic scored a green traffic light for accessibility. The key information was publicly available, including some information with visualisations such as graphs or maps. Users could access data in Excel and other formats such as html. The key information was accessible for free with customised data available at a cost.

Areas for Improvement

- The duration between collection and release of data was not timely.
- Some of the target population was not represented sufficiently for the statistic, such as entities that fail to lodge tax returns.
- Only some information was accessible in a visual format, such as graphs or maps.