

# ABS Confidentialised Unit Record File (CURF) Consultation Response Pro Forma

## 2005 PERSONAL SAFETY SURVEY (PSS)

### RESPONDENT INFORMATION

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### GENERAL QUESTIONS

What are your primary research areas of interest?	Prevention of child abuse and neglect Child protection Prevalence and impact of abuse/neglect
Have you previously used an ABS CURF product?	No.
If so, which product(s)?	
If you are not expecting to use the 2005 CURF product mentioned, what are the primary influences on this decision?	To look at the ongoing impact of earlier victimisation on the risk of later victimisation in adulthood (re-victimisation)

### SPECIFIC PSS CURF QUESTIONS

From your perspective, what is the importance of the PSS CURF resource, and what are the possible uses to which it might be put?	Data may be useful to look at re-victimisation at the individual level.
With the analytic work that is performed in your organisation, what would be the preferred level of detail for socio-demographic and geographic data items, and are there items that can be identified as being of lower or higher priority for your purposes?  It may be helpful to specifically consider the information provided in Attachment 1.	A number of different elements of socio-demographic information are important, depending on the research question.  One omission from the current demographics is whether the person is in a same-sex relationship. Currently, the options are single or married (legal or de facto).
From your perspective, what data items from the PSS-specific listing (Attachment 2) would you identify as being of lower or higher priority for your purposes?	For my purposes, items 3000, 3010, 3020 and 3030 are the highest priority.
What external databases are you aware of that are held by other organisations that may overlap with the survey content, and what is the content/ degree of detail available in these databases?	The only other database with relevant information is the AIHW Child Protection collection, which measures child protection service system activities.

<p>Noting the descriptions of release mechanisms provided above, would your preference be to use a Basic or Expanded CURF, and what do you believe are the implications of the different types for researchers and their work?</p>	<p>I do not feel confident to comment, as it is not clear which information would be omitted from a Basic CURF. However, the accessibility of a CD-ROM may be an advantage as it could be used as quick resource.</p>
<p>Would you expect to use the PSS 2005 CURF product?</p>	<p>Occasionally.</p>

Thank you for your input into the output development process. User opinions are essential for the ABS to be able to determine the specification and dissemination of statistical products.

For further information about the consultation process, surveys mentioned, or CURFs please contact Fiona Dowsley on (03) 9615 7641.

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