

ABS General Social Survey (GSS), 2014

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Description: The 2014 GSS collected data on a range of social dimensions from the same individual to enable analysis of the interrelationships in social circumstances and outcomes, including the exploration of multiple advantage and disadvantage experienced by that individual. The 2014 GSS is the fourth in the series, with the first GSS conducted in 2002, and again in 2006 and 2010. It is planned to repeat the survey at regular intervals (currently four-yearly). Each cycle of the GSS collects comparable information to allow for analysis of changes over time. The scope of the 2014 GSS was increased to include sample from the 15 to 17 year age group to aid better understanding of the outcomes for this population group. A cyclical component is also included to collect additional information on emerging or important topics of social concern. The cyclical component of the 2014 GSS included an expanded section on voluntary work. The 2014 GSS collected information about:

- demographic characteristics
- housing and mobility
- education (includes parental education)
- employment
- transport and mobility
- subjective well-being and general life satisfaction measures
- health and disability
- difficulty accessing service providers
- family and community involvement
- social networks and participation
- experiences of homelessness
- voluntary work
- crime and feelings of safety
- sports attendance and participation
- attendance at selected cultural and leisure venues
- information technology
- financial stress, resilience and exclusion
- income
- housing
- assets and liabilities
- discrimination
- visa status
- sexual orientation.

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