



Challenges in compiling employment and unemployment estimates – the Australian experience

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This paper describes challenges faced in compiling Australian employment and unemployment estimates and how the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is addressing these challenges. In particular the paper will describe the implementation of a review of the labour content in ABS household surveys (the review), a proposed vehicle for integrating monthly and less frequent household collections and relevant administrative data, and plans to improve the coherence of data from the labour statistics program.

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