



**INVITATION
EXPERIMENTAL PRICE INDEXES FOR FINANCIAL SERVICES
SEMINAR PROGRAMME**

For some years now there has been considerable community interest in the prices paid by households for financial services. An outcome of a review of the CPI in 1997 was a commitment by the ABS to develop a price index for financial services for eventual inclusion in the CPI. This index was to be designed to cover the explicit fees and charges paid by households as well as any indirect costs embodied in interest margins.

The results of the ABS's investigations are contained in Cat. No. 6413.0 *Information Paper: Experimental Price Indexes for Financial Services*. The ABS is hosting a series of seminars around Australia to discuss these results. Details of the seminars are listed on this flyer. If you wish to attend a seminar, please register your interest with the person nominated for your city.

DAY	DATE	CITY	TIME	VENUE	CONTACT
Monday	26 July	Canberra	10.00 am	Knibbs Auditorium Ground Floor ABS House 45 Benjamin Way Belconnen ACT	Melinda Small ph: (02) 6252 6111 e-mail: melinda.small@abs.gov.au
Tuesday	27 July	Sydney	10.00 am	ABS NSW Office 5th Floor St Andrew's House Sydney Square Sydney	Merran Butler ph: (02) 9268 4855 e-mail: m.butler@abs.gov.au
Wednesday	28 July	Brisbane	10.00 am	ABS Queensland Office Level 21 313 Adelaide Street Brisbane	Cassie Purdy ph: (07) 3222 6330 e-mail: cassie.purdy@abs.gov.au or Greg McNamara ph: (07) 3222 6232 e-mail: greg.mcnamara@abs.gov.au

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Friday	30 July	Darwin	10.00 am	ABS NT Office 7th Floor AANT Building 81 Smith Street Darwin	Catherine Blacker ph: (08) 8943 2171 e-mail: catherine.blacker@abs.gov.au
Monday	2 August	Perth	10.00 am	ABS WA Office Level 15 Exchange Plaza 2 The Esplanade (enter from Sherwood Court) Perth	Wavne Ridders ph: (08) 9360 5385 e-mail: wavne.ridders@abs.gov.au
Tuesday	3 August	Adelaide	10.00 am	ABS SA Office 7th Floor East 55 Currie Street Adelaide	Michelle Gillies ph: (08) 8237 7433 e-mail: michelle.gillies@abs.gov.au
Thursday	5 August	Hobart	10.00 am	ABS Tasmanian Office 200 Collins Street Hobart	Margaret Dyas ph: (03) 6222 5847 e-mail: margaret.dyas@abs.gov.au
Friday	6 August	Melbourne	10.00 am	ABS Victorian Office 5th Floor CU Tower 485 LaTrobe Street Melbourne	Maxine McDermott ph: (03) 9615 7080 e-mail: maxine.mcdermott@abs.gov.au