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Sent: Tuesdav. 20 November 2018 12:06 PM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Seeking your views on AUSTRAC's RPF self-assessment - Survey due 30 November

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Attachments: AUSTRAC RPF self-assessment 2017-18.pdf; AUSTRAC RPF FAQs.pdf

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Dear Sir/Madam,

AUSTRAC has recently completed a self-assessment against the Government's Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) for the 2017-18 financial year and is now seeking your feedback on our performance by COB 30 November 2018.

The Australian Government established the RPF as part of its commitment to reduce red tape imposed on individuals, business and community organisations. The RPF requires regulators to undertake their functions with minimal impact necessary to achieve regulatory objectives. The RPF applies to all major commonwealth regulators, and commenced from 1 July 2015. It is a requirement of the RPF that regulators complete a self-assessment annually and that relevant stakeholders are asked to review the self-assessment.

Our self-assessment for 2017-18 is attached for your review.

The self-assessment is a description of our performance against six key performance indicators (KPIs):

- KPI 1 Regulators do not unnecessarily impede the efficient operation of regulated entities.
- KPI 2 Communication with regulated entities is clear, targeted and effective.
- KPI 3 Actions undertaken by regulators are proportionate to the regulatory risk being managed.
- KPI 4 Compliance and monitoring approaches are streamlined and coordinated.
- KPI 5 Regulators are open and transparent in their dealings with regulated entities.
- KPI 6 Regulators actively contribute to the continuous improvement of regulatory frameworks.

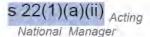
As an industry regulator, we are committed to the ongoing improvement of AUSTRAC's performance and your feedback is a key tool that will help us achieve this.

To that end, we would greatly appreciate it if you would please complete the <u>Stakeholder Questionnaire via Survey Monkey</u> to capture your feedback against each of the six KPIs by 30 November 2018.

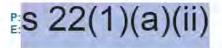
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Kind regards,

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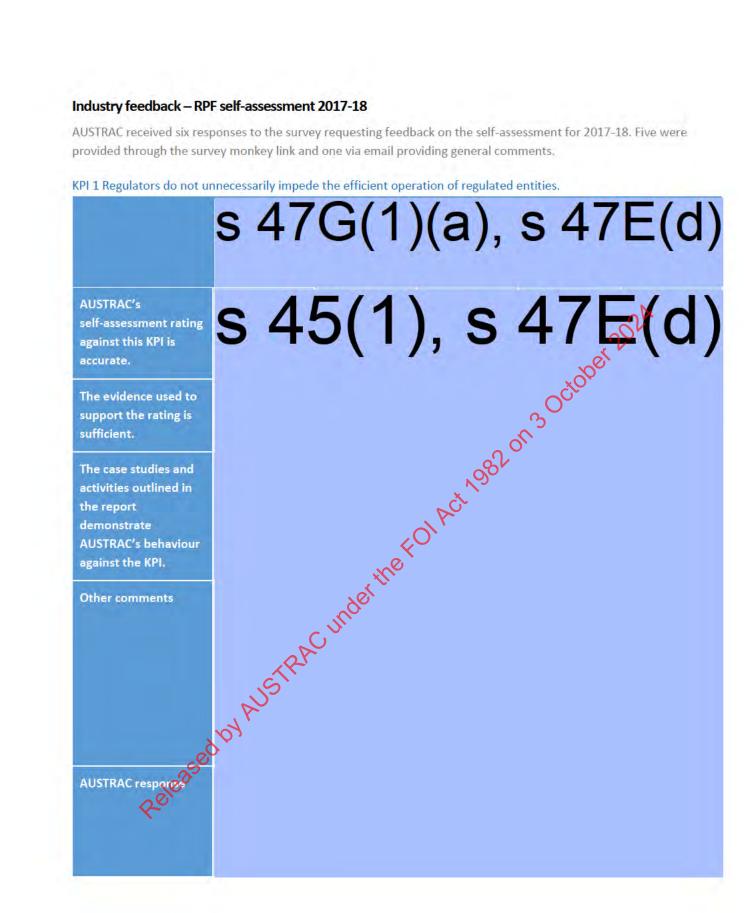
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The evidence used to support the rating is sufficient.

The case studies and activities outlined in the report demonstrate AUSTRAC's behaviour against the KPI.

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AUSTRAC response

Survey questions - To be sent via survey monkey to stakeholder group

What is the name of your industry body?

Please respond to the questions below based on your experience and interactions with AUSTRAC in 2018-19. Please indicate the extent to which you (on behalf of your organisation) agree with the following statements:

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Dear %%Name%%

Consistent with our practice each year, AUSTRAC has recently completed a selfassessment against the Australian Government's Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) for the 2018-19 financial year. As one of our key stakeholders, your organisation has been selected to review and validate AUSTRAC's regulatory performance as outlined in our self-assessment.

Tell us what you think of our self-assessment

Our proposed self-assessment for 2018-19 can be found here for your review.

We would appreciate your feedback against each of the six KPIs by via this short questionnaire by 5.00pm (AEDT), Friday 15 November 2019.

Following your review of our self-assessment, the questionnaire should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will provide valuable feedback to AUSTRAG.

Go to the questionnaire: S 22(1)(a)(ii)

About the Regulator Performance Framework (RPF)

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Your responses will remain confidential

The feedback you provide in response to the self-assessment will be used by AUSTRAC to inform our regulatory engagement and approach more broadly. Please note the aggregated results of the questionnaire as well as a selection of the comments provided will also appear anonymously in AUSTRAC's RPF self-assessment report 2018-19 to be published on the AUSTRAC website in December 2019.

Further information about how AUSTRAC may use your information can be found in AUSTRAC's <u>Privacy Policy</u> and <u>Privacy Statement</u>.

We have also provided a list of frequently asked questions here which that may assist you in reviewing the self-assessment and completing the questionnaire. If you have any further questions, please contact us at:

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Thank you for taking the time to provide valuable feedback on AUSTRAC's regulatory performance.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Soros Deputy CEO Regulatory Strategy AUSTRAC

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AUSTRAC – Regulator Performance Framework 2018-19 Industry feedback

AUSTRAC received six responses to its survey seeking feedback on its Regulator Performance Framework self-assessment for 2018-19. Five responses were provided through the survey link and one via email providing general comments.

KPI 1 Regulators do not unnecessarily impede the efficient operation of regulated entities.

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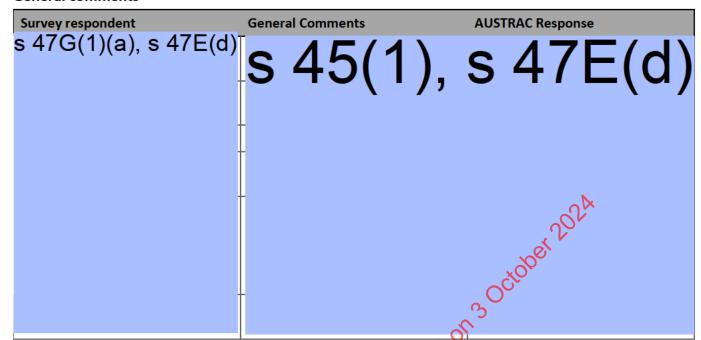
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From: S 22(1)(a)(ii)on behalf of Peter Soros
Sent: Friday 16 October 2020 11:01 AM

To: s 22(1)(a)(ii)
Cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject: Give your feedback about AUSTRAC's regulatory performance [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Attachments: RPF FAQs.pdf; RPF self-assessment 2019-20.pdf

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Good morning,

Consistent with our practice each year, AUSTRAC has recently completed a self-assessment of its performance against the Australian Government's Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) for 2019-20. As one of our key stakeholders, your organisation has been selected to review and validate AUSTRAC's regulatory performance as outlined in our self-assessment.

Tell us what you think of our self-assessment

Our proposed self-assessment for 2019-20 is attached for your review.

We would appreciate your feedback against each of the six KPIs via this short question are by 5.00pm (AEDT), Friday 30 October 2020.

Following your review of our self-assessment, the questionnaire should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will provide valuable feedback to AUSTRAC.

Go to the questionnaire: S 22(1)(a)(ii)

About the Regulator Performance Framework (RPF)

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Thank you for taking the time to provide valuable feedback on AUSTRAC's regulatory performance.

Yours sincerely





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FROM: Peter Soros

TO: 15 stakeholders (emails provided in document)

cc: s 22(1)(a)(ii)

Subject line: Give your feedback on AUSTRAC's regulatory performance

Attachments: AUSTRAC Regulator Performance Framework self-assessment report 2020-21 (attach

SAFE13306422), RPF FAQ 2021 (attach SAFE13267479)

Good morning/afternoon,

AUSTRAC has recently completed a self-assessment of its performance against the Australian Government's Regulator Performance Framework (RPF) for 2020-21, as it does each year. As one of our key stakeholders, your organisation has been selected to review and validate AUSTRAC's regulatory performance as outlined in our self-assessment.

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About the Regulator Performance Framework (RPF)

Since 2014, the Government has required regulators complete a self-assessment annually and validate their results with key stakeholders. With the Government's release of new expectations of regulatory performance, there will be some changes in how AUSTRAC (and other Commonwealth regulators) assess and report on their performance. More information can be found here.

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Yours sincerely

Peter Soros



AUSTRAC Regulator Performance Framework 2020-21

Survey results

KPI 1 Regulators do not unnecessarily impede the efficient operation of regulated entities.



The self-assessment report accurately represents AUSTRAC's performance against this KPI for 2020-21.

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KPI 2 Communication with regulated entities is clear, targeted and effective.

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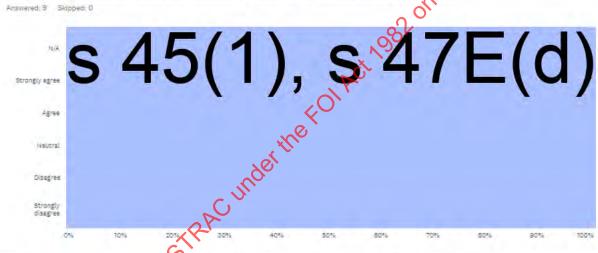
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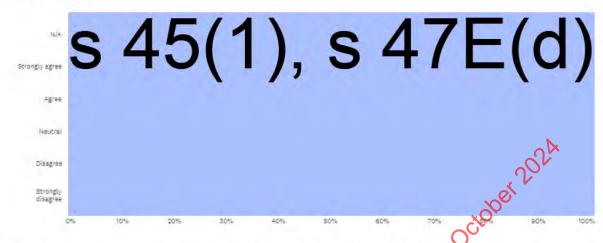
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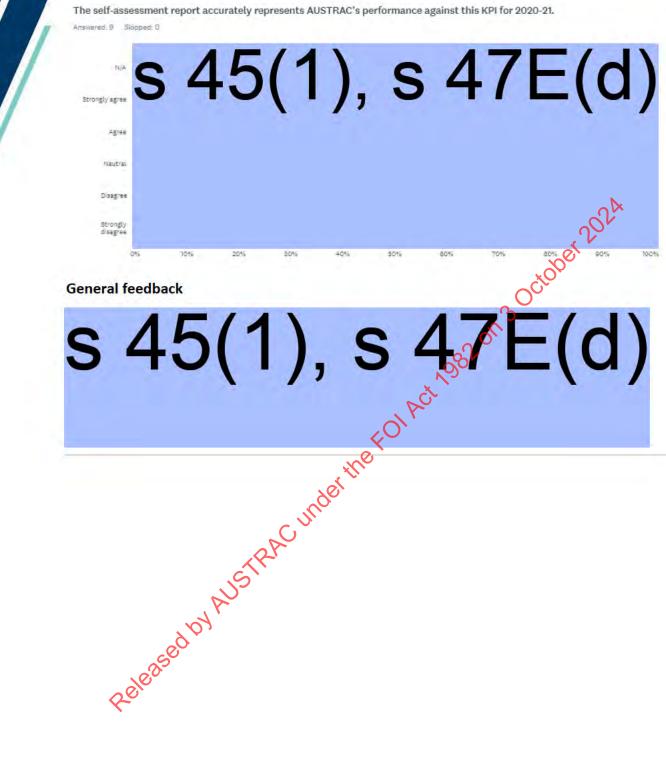
KPI 6 Regulators actively contribute to the continuous improvement of regulatory frameworks.

In general, AUSTRAC actively contributes to the continuous improvement of regulatory frameworks.



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The self-assessment report accurately represents AUSTRAC's performance against this KPI for 2020-21.







Background and objectives

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AUSTRAC (Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre) is the Australian Government agency responsible for detecting, deterring and disrupting criminal abuse of the financial system to protect the community from serious and organised crime.

AUSTRAC has a requirement to report on non-financial performance each financial year. Stakeholder feedback constitutes one of the key measures of AUSTRAC's performance in the 2021/2022 financial year.

To this end, AUSTRAC commissioned JWS Research to obtain stakeholder feedback from industry associations who represent reporting entities on AUSTRAC's performance on set measures and targets as identified in the agency's Corporate Plan.

Research objectives

The performance measures pertaining to the Regulation, Education and Policy Division stakeholders as set out in the 2021-25 AUSTRAC Corporate Plan, evaluated in this research, comprise:

- Measure 2.3: Percentage of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities report a s 45(1), s 47E(d) rating on the usefulness and AUSTRAC's guidance materials, annually.
 - Measure 3.4: Percentage of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities assess AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF Rules and policy settings to be s 45(1), s 47E(d) annually.
- Measure 3.5: Percentage of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities believe reporting entities have as 45(1), s 47E(d) level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks, annually.

Research methodology



Quantitative research: Online survey



AUSTRAC emailed a link to the survey to n=18 industry associations with multiple contacts selected in some instances). The industry associations surveyed cover AUSTRAC's reporting entity (RE) stakeholders in both breadth and depth.

a=8 industry association stakeholders took part in the survey, providing a response rate of 26%. Note that one respondent did not answer all of the demographic questions.

- AUSTRAC sent reminder emails to maximise participation in the survey, noting that these were sent to all industry associations as AUSTRAC does not obtain any details identifying which stakeholders have completed the survey.
- Responses were provided directly to JWS Research via the online survey portal.
- 8 to 10 minutes in length.

Conducted from the 30th May to the 15th June 2022.



Corporate Plan Measure: Guidance materials





Target: 70% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities report a MODERATELY (or higher) rating on the usefulness of AUSTRAC's guidance materials.

	Target	2022 result
Total moderately useful or higher	70%	s 45(1), s 47E(d)

Usefulness of AUSTRAC's guidance materials

(number of respondents)

s 45(1), s 47E(d)

■ Extremely useful ■ Very useful • Very useful • Neutral • Slight usefulness ■ Low usefulness ■ Not at all useful

Corporate Plan Measure: Collaboration





Target: 70% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities assess AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF Rules and policy settings to be USUALLY collaborative (or higher).

	Target	2022 result
Total usually collaborative or higher	70% pc	s ⁴⁵ (1), s 47E(d)

AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF Rules and policy settings (number of respondents)

s 45(1), s 47E(d)

- Always collaborative
- Occasionally collaborative
- Usually collaborative
- Rarely collaborative
- Sometimes collaborative
- Never collaborative
- Neutral

s 45(1), s 47E(d)

Q6 How would you rate the level of **collaboration** from AUSTRAC in the development of Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing (AML/CTF) rules and policy settings?

Corporate Plan Measure: Trust





Target: 70% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities believe reporting entities have a MODERATE (or higher) level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks.



Level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks

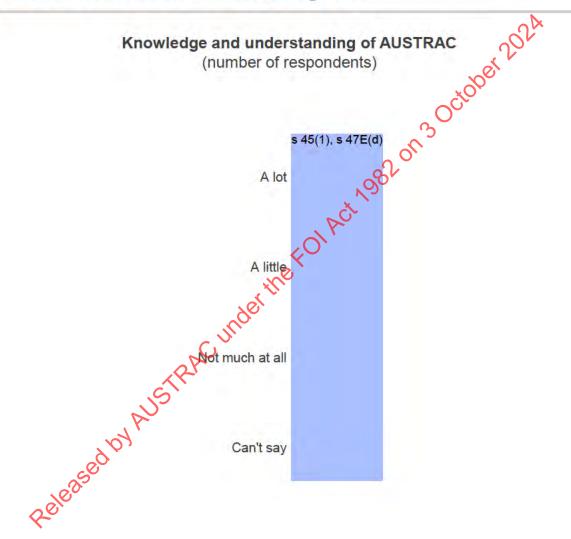
(number of respondents)





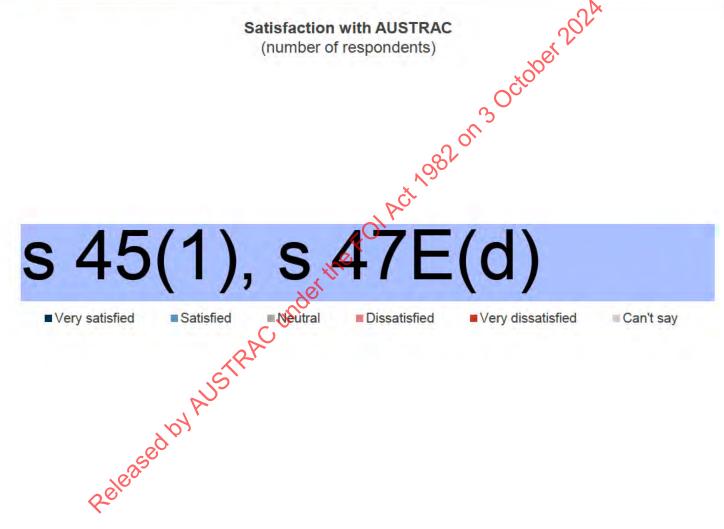
Industry associations claim to know 'a lot' about AUSTRAC, their role and what they do





Industry associations are satisfied with AUSTRAC in their role as the AML and CTF regulator





Engagement with the sector and the quality of information contributes to satisfaction with AUSTRAC as a regulator



Verbatim feedback (among those who provided a response)

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Industry associations are generally positive in their assessment of AUSTRAC's approach and operations



Agreement with statements regarding AUSTRAC

■ Strongly agree

Agree

In general, AUSTRAC is responsive to industry issues and actively continues to improve its processes

In general, AUSTRAC's compliance and monitoring approaches are streamlined and coordinated

In general, AUSTRAC's communication with reporting entities is clear, targeted and effective

In general, actions taken by AUSTRAC are proportianate to the regulatory risk being managed

In general, AUSTRAC's regulatory enagagements do not impede the efficient operation of reporting entities

In general, AUSTRAC is open and transparent in dealings with reporting entities

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■ Neutral

Disagree

Strongly diagree

Industry associations typically engage with AUSTRAC at least every four to six months



Frequency of engagement with AUSTRAC over the last 12 month's (number of respondents) Every 2 to 3 months tast 12 months No engagement in the last 12 months Can't say

Additional, individual feedback from industry associations



At the conclusion of the survey, industry associations were invited to contribute feedback comment on any issue, be that positive or negative. More than half of the respondents had no further comment to make.

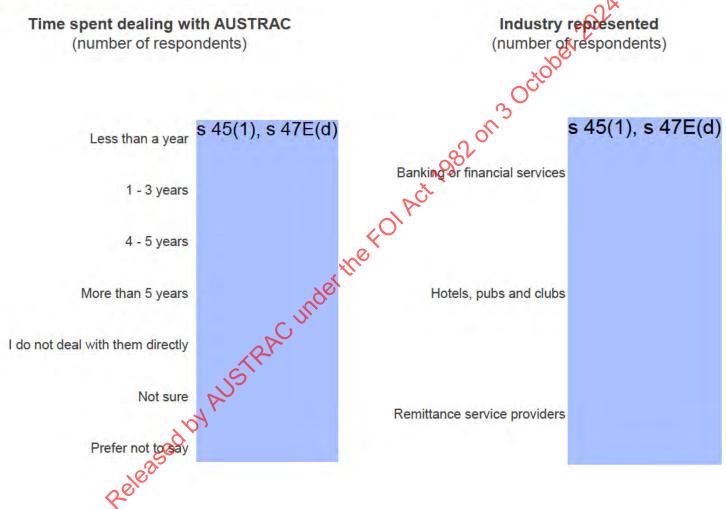
Verbatim feedback

(among those who provided a response)

Q13. Do you have any other feedback or comments for AUSTRAC that you would like to add that have not been covered in this survey today? Please feel free to comment on any issue, whether that be positive or negative feedback.

Demographics







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Background and objectives

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Research objectives

The performance measures pertaining to the Regulation and Reform Division stakeholders as set out in the 2022-26 AUSTRAC Corporate Plan, evaluated in this research, comprise:

- Measure 2.3: Percentage of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities report a S 45(1), S 47E(d) rating on the usefulness and STRAC's guidance materials, annually.
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- Measure 3.5: Percentage of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities believe reporting entities have a \$\frac{\subseteq}{45(1)}\$, \$\frac{\subseteq}{47E(d)}\$ level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks, annually.

Research methodology



Quantitative research: Online survey



AUSTRAC emailed a link to the survey to n=33 industry associations (with multiple contacts selected in some instances). Five of these emails were undeliverable. The industry associations surveyed cover AUSTRAC's reporting entity (RE) stakeholders in both breadth and depth.

n=9 industry association stakeholders took part in the survey, providing a response rate of 32% (of the delivered emails). Note a small number of respondents did not answer all of the demographic questions.

AUSTRAC sent reminder emails to maximise participation in the survey, noting that these were sent to all industry associations as AUSTRAC does not obtain any details identifying which stakeholders have completed the survey.

Follow-up survey invitations were made by telephone, by AUSTRAC staff, in early July 2023.

- Responses were provided directly to JWS Research via the online survey portal.
- 8 to 10 minutes in length.

Conducted from the 29th of May to the 17th of July 2023.



Corporate Plan Measure 2.3: Guidance materials





Target: 72% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities report a MODERATELY (or higher) rating on the usefulness of AUSTRAC's guidance materials.

3 result	Target	
), s 47E(d)	72%	Total moderately useful or higher
	72%	

Usefulness of AUSTRAC's guidance materials

(number of respondents)

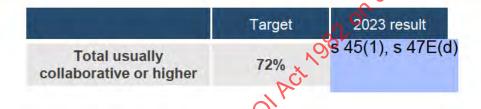
■ Extremely useful ■ Very useful ▼Moderately useful ■ Neutral ■ Slight usefulness ■ Low usefulness ■ Not at all useful

Corporate Plan Measure 3.4: Collaboration





Target: 72% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities assess AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF Rules and policy settings to be USUALLY collaborative (or higher).



AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF Rules and policy settings (number of respondents)



- Always collaborative
- Occasionally collaborative
- Sually collaborative
- Rarely collaborative
- Sometimes collaborative
- Never collaborative

■Neutral

Corporate Plan Measure 3.5: Trust





Target: 72% of industry associations representing AUSTRAC's reporting entities believe reporting entities have a MODERATE (or higher) level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks.



Level of trust in AUSTRAC as a result of AUSTRAC's efforts to harden the industry against ML/TF and other crime risks

(number of respondents)



■ High trust

■ Significant thus

■ Moderate trust

■ Neutral

Slight trust

Low trust

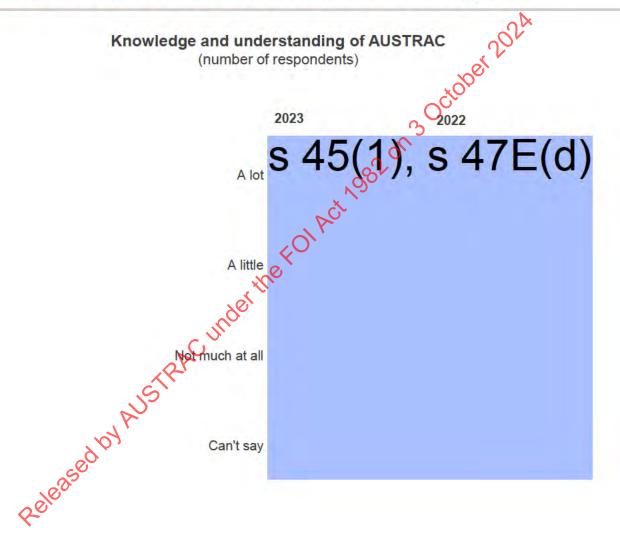
■ No trust

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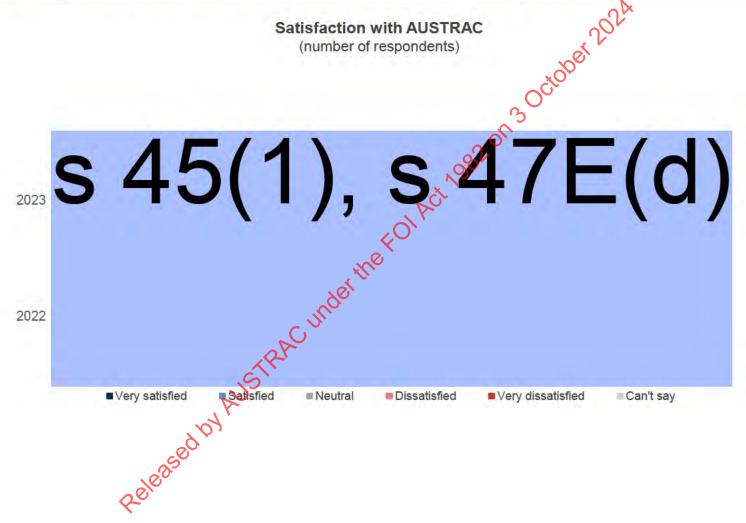
Industry associations claim to know and understand 'a lot' or 'a little' about AUSTRAC's role and what they do





Satisfaction with AUSTRAC in their role as the AML/CTF regulator has weakened compared to last year





Engagement with the sector is a contributor to satisfaction with AUSTRAC as a regulator



Verbatim feedback

(among those who provided a response

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Two thirds of industry associations find guidance materials at least 'moderately' useful



<u>Usefulness</u> of AUSTRAC's guidance materials

(number of respondents)

s 45(1), s 47E(d)

2022

■Extremely useful ■Very useful ■ Moderately useful Neutral ■ Slight usefulness ■Low usefulness ■ Not at all useful

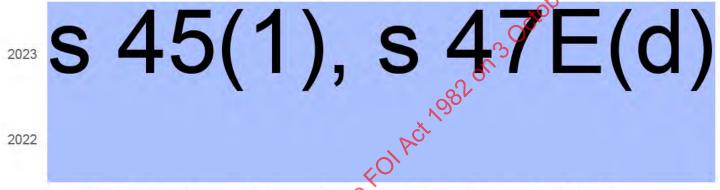
2023 verbatim feedback

(among those who provided a response of 'neutral' to 'not at all useful')

In developing AML/CTF rules and policy settings, industry associations generally consider AUSTRAC collaborative



AUSTRAC's level of collaboration in the development of AML/CTF rules appropriately settings (number of respondents)



■ Always collaborative

■ Usually collaborative

Sometimes collaborative

Never collaborative

■ Neutral

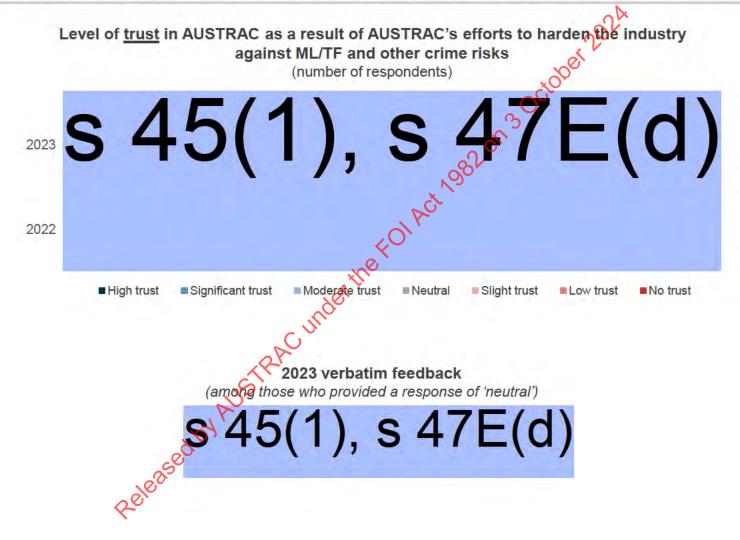
■ Occasionally collaborative ■ Rarely collaborative

2023 verbatim feedback

(among those who provided a response of 'sometimes' to 'never collaborative')

Two in three industry associations have significant trust in AUSTRAC as a result of their efforts against ML/TF





Industry associations are on balance mostly positive in their assessment of AUSTRAC's approach and operations



Agreement with statements regarding AUSTRAC (2023)

(number of respondents)

Total 'strongly agree' + 'agree'

2022

In general, actions taken by AUSTRAC are proportionate to the regulatory risk being managed

In general, AUSTRAC's communication with reporting entities is clear, targeted and effective

In general, AUSTRAC's regulatory enagagements do not impede the efficient operation of reporting entities

In general, AUSTRAC is responsive to industry issues and actively continues to improve its processes

In general, AUSTRAC's compliance and monitoring approaches are streamlined and coordinated

In general, AUSTRAC is open and transparent in dealings with reporting entities

s 45(1), s 47E(d)

■Strongly agree ■Agree ■Neutral ■Disagree ■Strongly disagree

Engagement with AUSTRAC among industry associations is typically every two to six months



Frequency of engagement with AUSTRAC over the last 12 months 2023) (number of respondents) Monthly Every 2 to 3 months No engagement in the last 12 months Can't say

Additional, individual feedback from industry associations



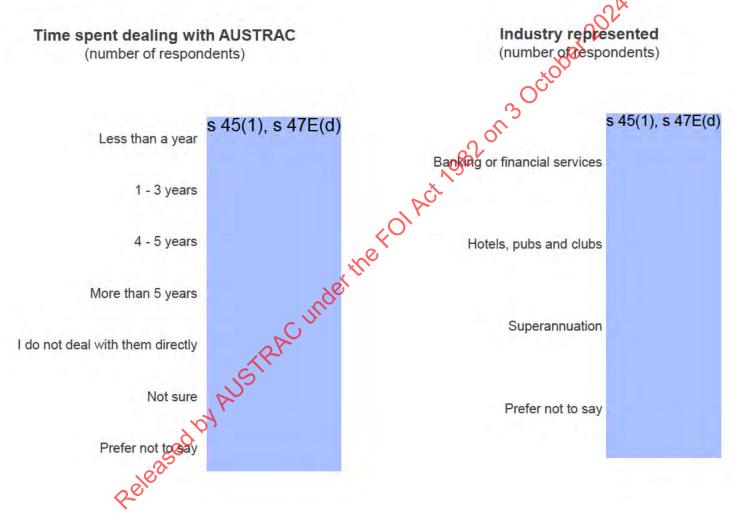
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Verbatim feedback

(among those who provided a response)

Demographics







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