

Survey on the effectiveness of Anticorruption Authorities

Background Information

1. Please enter country name in the space below

Australia

2. The name of the agency

Corruption and Crime Commission

3. The date of establishment

January 2004

4. Contact Information

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5. Webpage

ccc.wa.gov.au

Legal Environment

6. What are the main anticorruption laws of your country?

CCC is a state-based jurisdiction. There are 6 states in Australia. Most have anti-corruption bodies. Some have more than one. CCC has investigative and corruption prevention mandates. Investigative mandate includes a variety of coercive powers, including to compel witnesses to publicly examine witnesses, to compel witnesses to give evidence on oath, to compel people and organisations to produce documents, to search premises; and a variety of covert powers, including to intercept telecommunications and conduct integrity tests.

7. Does your government have a single or primary anticorruption strategy?

Yes.

8. Does your country have freedom of information legislation?

Yes No

9. Does your country have conflict of interest legislation?

Yes No

10. Does your country have a financial disclosure system to help prevent conflicts of interest?

Yes but not legislated No

Institutional Environment

11. What are the main functions and operations of your agency? Please check all that apply

X Research X Prevention X Investigation X Prosecution X Forensic Accounting Policy

12. Is there one agency in charge of coordinating AC efforts across agencies?

Yes No

If Yes, Please specify: ____ Individual agencies responsible for own anti-corruption efforts, but CCC provides advice

13. Does your agency have the ability to share information or data with

(a) Other agencies within your government, and

Yes No

(b) Government partners from other countries?

Yes No

14. Please enter current size of permanent staff in the space below

154

15. Number of prosecutors (if applicable)

16. Number of investigators (if applicable)

80

17. Number of cases handled annually (if applicable)

18. Please enter the name of other agencies with similar functions.

Independent Commission Against Corruption (New South Wales); Police Integrity Commission (New South Wales); Crime and Misconduct Commission (Queensland); Independent Broad Based Anti Corruption Commission (Victoria); Tasmania Integrity Commission (Tasmania); Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (Commonwealth). Each state and the Commonwealth have an Ombudsman. There are state-based and Commonwealth FOI offices.

19. Does your agency have a system to monitor performance of staff?

Yes No

20. Are the human resource management, i.e. recruitment, promotion, termination built on the emphasis of staff integrity and professionalism?

Yes No

21. Who appoints the head of your agency?

Committee of the Parliament

22. Who has the authority to remove the head of the ACA?

Governor on address from both houses of parliament

23. Is there any term limit for the head of the ACA?

Yes No

If Yes, Please specify: ___Maximum of two five year terms_____

24. Is the agency subject to judicial review?

Yes No

25. Is the agency subject to expenditure reviews?

Yes No

26. Does your agency publish an annual report of activities?

Yes No

27. Does your agency measure performance?

Yes No

If yes, against what indicators?

- Number of investigations conducted
- Number of investigations concluded
- Ratio of number of investigations/staff
- Percentage of total budget allocated to outreach activities and communication
- Other, please specify – various. See annual reports published on website

28. Does your agency keep a comprehensive skill list of its staff?

Yes No

29. Is the staff provided with regular training and refresher training to ensure that their skills are up-to-date?

Yes No

30. Are employees protected by law from recrimination or other negative consequences when reporting corruption (i.e. whistle-blowing)?

Yes No

31. Does your agency have a communication strategy?

Yes No

32. Does your agency have a comprehensive corporate plan?

Yes No

33. Is there a strategy in formulating partnership with outside agencies in fighting corruption?

Yes No

34. Is there strategy in dealing with media?

Yes No

Resource Mobilization

35. Does your agency have budgetary autonomy?

Yes No

36. What is the annual budget of your agency?

See annual reports on website

37. Is the annual budget determined by (Please choose the answer/s that best fits your agency)

<input type="radio"/>	Number of staff
<input type="radio"/>	Number of investigations
<input type="radio"/>	Budget is constitutionally mandated
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Other, please specify – allocated by government

38. How much does it roughly cost to (please enter the dollar amount per stated activity)

\$	File a case	\$	Manage a paper case	\$	Analyze a case
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For stats on these see annual reports on website

39. Any Donor Involvement?

Yes No

40. Does your agency use a computerized system to handle cases?

Yes No

Social Environment

41. Does your agency offer a mechanism for citizens to report anonymously complaints or offer information on corrupt activities?

Yes No

42. Does your agency or government provide a hotline to report corruption?

Yes No

43. Does your agency produce regular public reports of its activities?

Yes No

