



Environment and Climate Research Infrastructure

Survey preview

This document provides a preview of the survey for information purposes only. All submissions must be made through the survey link available on the [Department of Education](#) website.

The purpose of this survey

We are looking for feedback from the research community to test our draft themes in ECRI needs.

The survey is divided into three parts:

1. Demographics
2. ECRI Needs
3. Other comments.

Privacy statement

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (the Privacy Act). Personal information is information or an opinion about an identifiable individual. Personal information includes an individual's name and contact details.

The following survey may collect personal information about you, including your name, contact details, employment details, opinions, feedback and any other personal information you volunteer about yourself in the free-text fields. Please do not provide any personal information about other people in your responses unless you have their consent.

Collection of your information

Your personal information may be collected by:

- the department and/or
- the department's contracted service providers, including its online survey provider, Qualtrics.

Purpose of collecting your information


Your personal information is collected by the department and its contracted service providers for the purposes of:

- informing the development of the 2025 NCRIS investment plan and related products
- informing the development of the 2026 NRI Roadmap and any related products.
- informing potential future NCRIS investment plans
- inviting you to participate in future consultation related to the products above, including contacting you in relation to your submission or setting up and conducting future consultations with you where you have agreed.
- analysing and reporting on your feedback and insights from the survey and any additional consultations processes you agree to take part in.
- understanding the demographics and distribution of respondents participating in the consultations.
- publishing your submission on the department's website where you have agreed.

If you do not provide some or all of the personal information requested, the department may not be able to attribute your submission to you and cannot inform you about future consultation opportunities or activities relating to the development of the 2026 NRI Roadmap.

Disclosure of your personal information

Your submission (including any personal information you include in your submission) may be disclosed to the following parties. However, if you do not consent to your response being attributed to you, your submission will be deidentified before it is provided to the following:

- the National Research Infrastructure Advisory Group
 - The Department of Industry, Science and Resources.
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Your personal information may also be disclosed to other parties where you have agreed, or where it is otherwise permitted under the Privacy Act.

Overseas disclosure of personal information

Where you have agreed, your submission (including any personal information you include in your submission, but not your email address), may be published on the department's website, which by its nature may involve disclosure to overseas recipients.

If you consent to your submission being published and attributed to you, you are consenting to your personal information being accessible overseas and acknowledge that an overseas recipient is not likely to be subject to the Privacy Act and the department will not have an obligation to take reasonable steps to ensure that they do not breach the Australian Privacy Principles in relation to the published information.

Privacy Policy

The department's [Privacy Policy](#) contains more information about how the department will manage your personal information, including information about how to make a complaint and seek access to and correction of your personal information. Further information on how the department manages your submission can also be found on the [Terms and Conditions for public submissions](#) page.

You can read more about how Qualtrics handle personal information in their [Qualtrics privacy statement](#).

To contact the department about your personal information, email privacy@education.gov.au

To contact the department about the 2026 Roadmap, email researchInfrastructure@education.gov.au

Consent

I confirm that I understand and agree to the handling of my personal information in accordance with this privacy statement.

- Yes, I agree

I confirm that to the extent I have provided personal information about another individual, I have obtained that individual's consent to provide their personal information and for their personal information to be handled in accordance with this privacy statement.

- Yes, I confirm



Contact Details

1. Full Name
2. Email address

Responding Capacity

In what capacity are you responding? I am responding as:

- An individual
- A representative of an organisation or group.

Please provide the name of your organisation or group.

Publication of submissions

Once the analysis of this survey is finalised, your submission will be made publicly available on the department's website, unless otherwise stipulated. Do you agree for your submission to be published on the department's website?

- I agree for my submission to be published and attributed to me or my organisation or group.
- I agree for my submission to be published but would like to remain anonymous.
- I do not agree for my submission to be published.

The department may wish to contact you regarding your submission to seek your further views in relation to the 2026 Roadmap. This may be in the form of future surveys, targeted workshops, or through other avenues.

Do you agree to the department contacting you for this reason?

- Yes, I agree to the department contacting me to seek my further views regarding the 2025 NCRIS investment plan, the 2026 NRI Roadmap and/or further NCRIS investment plans.
- No, I do not agree to the department contacting me to seek my further views.



Part 1 Demographics

1. What best describes your occupational category?
 - Researcher
 - Research support staff or technical staff
 - Senior management in a research organisation
 - Industry professional
 - Other (please specify)

2. Which of the below best describes your employment sector?
 - Government
 - Independent research organisation
 - NCRIS capability
 - Publicly Funded Research Agency
 - University
 - Private Enterprise
 - Not for profit
 - Other (please specify)

3. Overall, how would you describe your (or your organisation's) familiarity with NCRIS?
 - Very familiar
 - Somewhat familiar
 - Not familiar



Part 2: ECRI needs

1. Do you agree with the draft themes the department identified in ECRI/TRI needs?

(Please refer to the [2025 step-change needs and investment surveys](#) page on our website)

- Yes
- No

If yes

Do you have any further comment on the draft themes?

If no

What revisions would you make to the draft themes?

2. What are the most immediate investment needs for ECRI in the short-term (1-3 years). Choose up to 3

- Investment for staff with appropriate expertise to underpin ECRI
- Investment to support observation and monitoring capabilities provided by ECRI
- Investment to support partnership with First Nations peoples and promotion of the Principles for Indigenous Data Governance
- Investment to support data management and stewardship capabilities
- Investment to support E&C modelling
- Other text-box 1
- Other text-box 2
- Other text-box 3

2. What are the priority needs for ECRI in the longer-term (5-10 years). Choose up to 3

- Investment for staff with appropriate expertise to underpin ECRI
- Investment to support observation and monitoring capabilities provided by ECRI
- Investment to support partnership with First Nations peoples and promotion of the Principles for Indigenous Data Governance
- Investment to support data management and stewardship capabilities
- Investment to support E&C modelling
- Other text-box 1
- Other text-box 2
- Other text-box 3

Part 3: Other comments

3.1 Please elaborate on any of your above responses or add any other comments relevant to ECRI.

