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## PRESS RELEASE

**To:** The Media

**From:** Chief Statistician - Lori-Rae Alleyne-Franklin

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**Re:** Press Release – Government of Anguilla Labour Market Survey of Businesses

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The Valley - The Government of Anguilla will commence the collection of Labour Market data during mid-March to mid-April 2021 as part of Anguilla's 1st Labour Market Survey from businesses. This new statistical initiative attempts to improve the capacity to undertake the process of skills needs anticipation and matching.

In December 2020, consultations took place with a number of key stakeholders including but not limited to Anguilla Chamber of Commerce (ACOCI), Anguilla Community College (ACC), the President of the fisherfolk association, Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Department of Education, Anguilla Hotel and Tourism Association (AHTA), Department of Labour and Department of Inland Revenue. These consultations were in an attempt to sensitize as well as engage stakeholders about the purpose of a labour market survey and determine their needs in this area.

A sample of businesses across the industries as per the International Standard Industry Classification (ISIC) have been selected based on number of employee systematically.

The survey will be a Computer Assisted Telephone Interview (CATI). Interviewers will telephone the businesses within the sample in an attempt to complete a 15-20 minute questionnaire with the officer responsible for the business' human resources. This is usually the Human Resources Manager in the larger businesses or the owner/manager in the smaller businesses.

The data received will be analysed to help the Government of Anguilla address potential gaps between skill supply and demand and enables skills providers, young people, policymakers, employers, and workers to make better educational and training choices. With the intention of increasing Anguilla's capacities in economic planning, reduce unemployment rates, support businesses to access qualified labour force and to strengthen its financial resilience.

Education, skills and training are important components required to assist in preparing the labour force of any country. In an attempt to strengthen the institutionalisation and development of medium and long-term national planning frameworks many component pieces of data are required. A vital component of these areas is reliable indicators necessary to undertake effective economic and social planning.

The aggregate data will also be available to the businesses and the general public in the form of reports to be used in its business human resource planning.

Quality, trusted labour market statistics will strengthen Anguilla's capacity to analyse the skills and training needs required in the private sector and make informed decisions in budgetary and investment planning.

The Government Ministries and Departments, and valued private sector will also have at their disposal labour market information to improve the work in their respective areas.

For further information on this project, contact the Chief Statistician, Mrs. Lori-Rae Alleyne-Franklin at 497-5731 or email [statistics@gov.ai](mailto:statistics@gov.ai).

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