Contract Notice (CN) Dataset

A Contract Notice is reported on AusTender as a result of a contract being awarded by an Australian Government agency at or above the relevant reporting threshold value of $10,000 (inc. GST) for the majority of Australian Government entities. A Contract Notice displays details of the contract, including the contract period, value and the supplier.

Field name/variable name	Data type	Mandatory	Description
CN ID	Text	Yes	The unique system generated identifier by which the CN is identified. Where a contract amendment has been reported, the CN ID will be used with an amendment reference immediately following the CN ID. For example, CN1234-A1 would represent the first reported amendment to CN1234.
Agency	Text	Yes	The Agency responsible for the CN.
Contract Publish Date	Date - format DD/MMM/YYYY	Yes	This is the date the CN was published on AusTender.
Category	Text	Yes	AusTender uses a subset of the United Nations Standard Product and Services Classification (UNSPSC) codes for the classification of goods and services. The UNSPSC is selected by an entity when reporting a contract to reflect the primary purpose of the contract.
Contract Start Date	Date - format DD/MMM/YYYY	Yes	This is the start date identified in the contract. If there is no start date identified, it is the date the contract is signed. If there is no written contract it is the date of the first provision of the goods or services. The start and end date define the contract period.
Contract End Date	Date – format DD/MMM/YYYY	Yes	This is the end date that performance of the contract is expected to be completed. It does not take into account any options, extensions, renewals, or other mechanisms that may be exercised at a future date to extend the period of the contract. In cases where the end date is not specified, entities will need to estimate the expected date of receipt of the final instalment of goods or services. The start and end date define the contract period.

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Contract Value	Numeric	Yes	The total (AUD) $ value in Australian dollars, that is committed for the life of the contract including GST. The initial contract value should not include amendments, such as options, extensions, renewals, or other mechanisms, that may be exercised at a future date to increase the value of the contract. These are reflected in the contract value as amendments are made or options exercised. Where the contract spans several years, the total value is reported not the value on a per-annum basis.
Description	Text	Yes	A short, clear and relevant description of the contract.
Amendment Published Date	Date - format DD/MMM/YYYY	Yes	This is the date the contract amendment was reported on AusTender.
Amendment Start Date	Date - format DD/MMM/YYYY	Yes	This is the date the Amendment took effect. A material amendment will require an Amendment Start Date and must be on or after the Start Date of the parent contract notice.
Amendment Value	Numeric	No	The amount (AUD) the contract has been varied by. The amount must be over the current reporting threshold as specified in the Commonwealth Procurement Rules (CPRs) which is greater than or equal to $10,000 AUD.
Amendment Reason	Text	Yes	The entity's reason explaining the amendment/s made to the contract notice.
Agency Reference ID	Numeric/Text	No	The agency's internal reference number for the contract. This number should be unique to the agency.
Procurement Method	Dropdown: • Open tender • Limited tender • Prequalified tender	Yes	The procurement method based on how the arrangement was established.
Exempt	Yes/No	Yes	Contract notices with a value at or above $80,000 and a Limited Tender procurement method will require a 'Yes' or 'No' selection for the Exempt field to indicate if an exemption from Division 2 of the CPRs applies.
Limited Tender Exemption	Text/Dropdown	Yes	If 'Yes' is selected for Exempt then a Limited Tender Exemption must be provided. See Attachment A for dropdown selection options.
Limited Tender Condition	Text/Dropdown	Yes	If 'No' is selected for Exempt for a Limited Tender CN with a value at or above $80,000 then a Limited Tender Condition as per Division 2 of the CPRs must be provided. See Attachment A for dropdown selection options.
ATM ID	Numeric/Text	No	The Approach to Market Identifier (ATM ID) that the contract originated from as advertised on AusTender to originally identify the business opportunity.
SON ID	Numeric/Text	No	The Standing Offer Notice Identifier (SON ID) that the contract notice is linked to.

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Confidentiality Contract	Yes/No	Yes	A confidentiality indicator must be selected to determine if the contract contains confidentiality clauses.
Confidentiality Contract Reason	Checkbox selection • Costing/profit information • Intellectual property • Privacy Act 1988 • Public Interest • Statutory secrecy provisions • Other	Yes	If 'Yes' is selected for Confidentiality Contract then a reason, or multiple reasons can be selected. If the reason selected is 'Other' free text must be provided to explain.
Confidentiality Outputs	Yes/No	Yes	A confidentiality indicator must be selected to determine if information obtained in carrying out the contract is confidential.
Confidentiality Outputs Reason	Checkbox selection • Artistic, literary or cultural secrets • Intellectual property • Privacy Act 1988 • Public Interest • Statutory secrecy provisions • Other	Yes	If 'Yes' is selected for Confidentiality Outputs then a reason, or multiple reasons can be selected. If the reason selected is 'Other' free text must be provided to explain.
Consultancy	Yes/No	Yes	A consultancy indicator must be selected to determine if the contract or part of the contract is defined as a consultancy.
Consultancy Reason	Text/Dropdown • Need for independent research or assessment • Need for specialised or professional skills • Skills currently unavailable within agency	Yes	If 'Yes' is selected for consultancy then only one justification reason is provided.
Supplier Name	Text	Yes	Supplier's full company name as entered by the procuring entity.
Supplier Postal Address	Text	Yes	Supplier's postal address as entered by the procuring entity.
Supplier City	Text	Yes	The town or city where the supplier is located.
Supplier Postcode	Numeric	Yes	Supplier's postcode as entered by the procuring entity.
Supplier State/Territory	Text	Yes	The state/territory where the supplier is located.
Supplier Country	Text	Yes	The country where the supplier is located.
Supplier ABN Exempt	Yes/No	Yes	The appropriate Supplier Australian Business Number (ABN) Exempt Status.
Supplier ABN	Numeric	Yes	The supplier's 11 digit ABN.
Agency Contact Name	Text	Yes	The details of the nominated contact officer responsible for the contract.
Agency Contact Phone*	Numeric	Yes	The area code and phone number of the nominated contact officer responsible for the contract. Not Mandatory if Contact Email is provided.

Attachment A - Limited Tender Exemptions and Conditions

Contract notices with a value at or above $80,000 and a Limited Tender procurement method will require an exemption or condition.

Limited Tender Exemptions	Limited Tender Conditions
App A: 1. Leasing of immovable property or any associated rights.	10.3.a.i. No submissions or value for money submissions received.
App A: 2. From another Commonwealth, state, territory or local government entity.	10.3.a.ii. No submissions met minimum content and format requirements.
App A: 3. Funded by international grants, loans or other assistance.	10.3.a.iii. No tenderers satisfied conditions for participation.
App A: 4. Funded by grants and sponsorship payments from non-Commonwealth entities.	10.3.b. Extreme urgency or events unforeseen.
App A: 5. Direct purpose of providing foreign assistance.	10.3.c. Advantageous conditions arising only in the very short term, not routine procurements.
App A: 6. Research and development services (but not inputs).	10.3.d.i. Supply by a particular business: for works of art.
App A: 7. Expert or neutral person (including counsel or barristers).	10.3.d.ii. Supply by particular business: with no reasonable alternative or substitute: to protect exclusive rights or proprietary information.
App A: 8. Procuring outside Australian territory for consumption outside Australian territory.	10.3.d.iii. Supply by particular business: due to an absence of competition for technical reasons.
App A: 9. Fiscal agency, depository and other associated services.	10.3.e. Additional deliveries by original supplier intended as replacement parts, extensions, or continuation for existing goods or services for compatibility.
App A: 10. By the Future Fund Management Agency, for the purposes of managing and investing the assets of the Future Fund.	10.3.f. In a commodity market.
App A: 11. Blood plasma products or plasma fractionation services.	10.3.g. Prototype intended for limited trial or developed at the entity's request for a research, experiment, study, or original development contract.
App A: 12. Government advertising services.	10.3.h. Awarded to the winner of a design contest independently judged and run consistent with the CPRs.
App A: 13. By, or on behalf of select Defence intelligence agencies.	Estimated value was under the procurement threshold.
App A: 14. Contracts for labour hire.	Valued below the construction threshold.
App A: 15. From a business that primarily exists to provide the services of persons with a disability.	
App A: 16. SME with at least 50 percent Indigenous ownership.	
Paragraph 2.6 was applied in some part.	
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