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Topic: Adoption Research Project

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Senator Siewert asked:

Please provide a geographic location for where the Adoption Research Project consultation is being carried out.

Answer:

The study methodology indicated that AIFS would be conducting follow-up interviews and focus groups in Melbourne; Sydney; Brisbane; Perth; Adelaide; Hobart; Canberra; Darwin and 4 regional centres, with the aim of meeting approximately 200 individuals face-to-face.

The recruitment for the follow-up component of the study has been based on those who have completed the survey and have registered their interest to *potentially* participate in a follow-up interview or focus group discussion. Based on these registrations, AIFS was able to identify 'clusters' of individuals living in similar regions, which has determined where focus groups and interviews have been conducted. These locations are listed according to State and Territory below:

State	Region	Date
Queensland	Toowoomba	November 2011
	Brisbane	November 2011
		January 2012
	Gold Coast	February 2012
New South Wales	Orange	November 2011
	Coffs Harbour	February 2012
	Maclean	February 2012
	Wollongong	February 2012
	Penrith	February 2012
	Gosford	February 2012
	Newcastle	February 2012
Victoria	Melbourne	October 2011
		February 2012
	Regional Victoria	March/April 2012 (yet to be held)
Tasmania	Hobart	February 2012
South Australia	Adelaide	February 2012
Western Australia	Perth	February 2012
	Mandurah	February 2012
	Albany	February 2012
Northern Territory	Darwin	January 2012
ACT	Canberra	November 2011