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Respect Victoria launches Prevention of Family Violence Data Platform

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Respect Victoria is proud to launch the Prevention of Family Violence Data Platform, developed in collaboration with the Victorian Crime Statistics Agency.

The platform is the first of its kind in Australia, and is designed to bring together data that will allow the Victorian Government, family violence sector, researchers and the public to track the state's progress on preventing family violence and violence against women.

"This tool is designed to set Victoria up for the future, and to ensure we have the data and insight needed to continue our efforts in preventing violence against women and family violence," said Minister for Prevention of Family Violence Gabrielle Williams.

The platform currently includes data from over 30 sources on the prevalence of violence, community attitudes towards gender inequality, and other markers of discrimination.

The platform includes a series of interactive visualisations of primary prevention data, explanatory materials, and links to further resources.

"This work has been developed in response to the Royal Commission into Family Violence and is a vital tool for government and organisations working to prevent family violence to monitor our progress," said Respect Victoria Chair Melanie Eagle.

"The data platform will allow for improved targeting of family violence prevention programs, guide the prioritisation of primary prevention activities, and assist in identifying both gaps and opportunities for the future," said Ms Eagle.

The platform currently contains data sources collected between 2009 and 2020 and will be updated each year as new data comes to light.

"This work is an important collaboration across sectors and will sit alongside the Crime Statistic Agency's existing Family Violence Data Portal, meaning Victoria will be uniquely positioned to unpack and interpret data from primary prevention through to response," said Crime Statistics Agency Chief Statistician Fiona Dowsley.

"Preventing family violence and violence against women is not a quick fix, and that's why it's important that tools like the data platform allow us to look carefully at the data, monitor changes over time and craft solutions that work," said Ms Eagle.

You can access the Prevention of Family Violence Data Platform here.

