AUSTRALIA – NSO making quality checks to GHG as part of national statistics

In Australia, the Department of Climate Change within the Australian Government is responsible for all aspects of GHG inventories and their submission to UNFCCC. The department estimates emissions using the Australian Greenhouse Emissions Information System and, for the land-use change and forestry sector, the National Carbon Accounting System. The department also uses a pool of consultants for specialised tasks.

The GHG inventories are primarily based on activity data published by Australia's principal economic statistics agencies, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) and the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics. ABS has a prominent role in the coordination of GHG inventories as part of national statistics and reviewing data quality. ABS provides agricultural activity data and some commodity and energy-related data.