Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Question: AET 86

Topic: Global Economic Uncertainty and Forecasting for the 2013-14 Budget

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Senator SINODINOS asked:

86. According to Treasury's economic model, what is the relationship between US GDP growth and Australian GDP growth? What impact will a 1% increase in the US GDP growth level have on Australian GDP?

Answer:

86. Treasury does not model nor calculate a direct elasticity of Australian GDP to US GDP. Major developments in the United States are assessed individually, and the effect on Australia (if any) is assessed on a case-by-case basis and captured in the relevant components of GDP growth.