

Australian Airports Association

Questions from Senator McKenzie

1. Have you undertaken any modelling on what is the productivity impact of reduced aviation connectivity due to cancellation and delays?

Response from the Australian Airports Association

The AAA has not undertaken formal quantitative modelling on the productivity impacts of reduced aviation connectivity resulting from cancellations and delays.

However, the impacts are widely recognised across the sector and are already evident in practice. Reduced connectivity affects not only passenger movement, but also freight efficiency, workforce mobility, tourism flows and access to essential services, particularly in regional and remote communities. Given the interdependent nature of Australia's aviation network, disruptions in one part of the system can have cascading effects across the broader economy.

The AAA would be supportive of further work in this area, including potential collaboration with government and industry to develop a more robust evidence base to quantify these impacts.