

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into the Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

2019-2020

Division: Coronavirus Coordination
Topic: Big Four consultants
Reference: Written Question from Senator Siewert – 19 June 2020, IQ20-000138

Question:

Has Treasury engaged the Big Four consultants or any other consultancy firms in providing advice to government on COVID-19?

If so, please provide a breakdown of the research projects commissioned by topic, consulting firm, and cost.

Answer:

Research project	Consulting firm
Provide strategic, financial and commercial advice to Treasury's policy response on COVID-19 impact to aviation industry	Ernst & Young
Provision of contemporaneous indicators of economic activity using Xero data and establishing necessary governance arrangements	AlphaBeta
Firm Risks Estimates Reporting	Alphabeta
Risk and integrity advisory services to the Treasury on the planning and delivery of COVID-19 response programs	Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu
Risk and integrity advisory services to the Treasury on the development of program guidelines	Yardstick Advisory
Understanding industry linkages, the transmission of shocks between industries and aggregate outcomes	University of Queensland
Provide strategic, financial and commercial advice to Treasury's policy response on COVID-19 impact to aviation industry	Lazard Pty Ltd

Information about maximum contract value is publicly available on the Australian Government's AusTender website.