

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

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Division/Agency: Small Business and Consumer Policy Division

Question No: 299

Topic: Small Business Payment Times

Reference: Written

Senator: Ketter, Chris

Question:

1. Has Treasury completed its review of the Government Payments to Small Business Survey?
2. What did it find?
3. Will the Government continue to publicly report its performance in meeting its policy to pay small businesses promptly?
4. If not, where will the Government's performance be publicly reported? Is the Government concerned that the data will show that it is failing to meet its own indicators and is letting small businesses down?

Answer:

1 - 2. The Treasury published the results of the Government Pay On-Time Survey for the 2014-15 and 2015-16 financial years on 3 April 2017.

The report is available at:

<http://www.treasury.gov.au/PublicationsAndMedia/Publications/2017/Pay-on-time-survey>

3. The Treasury will continue to monitor and publicly report performance against the Supplier Pay On-Time or Pay Interest Policy.
4. Not applicable