

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

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**Question: sbt 35**

**Topic: Impact of Chronic Disease**

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**Senator Adams asked:**

1. What progress is there with the Treasury's work on the impact of chronic disease on the Australian economy?
2. Will the work being undertaken be made available to the public? Have submissions been called for by the Treasury

**Answer:**

1. The Treasury is working with the Department of Health and Ageing to assess the impact of chronic disease on the Australian economy. The initial focus of the analysis has been to examine the impact of chronic disease on labour force participation rates.
2. The Treasurer will determine if the analysis will be made publicly available in due course. Submissions have not been called for by the Treasury.