

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Finocchiaro to the Minister for Small Business:

Northern Territory Jobs Rescue and Recovery Plan

1. As at 28 August 2020, how many Home Improvement Scheme (HIS), Business Improvement Grants and Immediate Work Grants vouchers have been approved in each category respectively and what is the percentage of approvals compared to the total number of applications?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Applications received	19,575	957	105	20,637
Applications approved	10,924	475	89	11,488
Received/ Approved ratio	55.80%	49.63%	84.76%	55.66%

2. As at 28 August 2020, how many HIS, Business Improvement Grants and Immediate Work Grants vouchers have been redeemed and what percentage does that number represent compared to the total number of approvals in each category?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers redeemed	5,407	180	43	5,630
Applications approved	10,924	475	89	11,488
Redeemed/ Approved ratio	49.5%	37.9%	48.3%	49.0%

3. Of the redeemed vouchers referenced in Question No 2, above, how many of those vouchers have been presented to the Department of Trade, Business and Innovation (DTBI) for payment in each category?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers submitted for redemption	5,407	180	43	5,630

All vouchers submitted for redemption must be assessed before they are paid.

4. As at 28 August 2020, how many vouchers presented for payment referenced in Question No 3, above, have been paid by DTBI in each category?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers assessed and paid	4,381	143	35	4,559

5. Of the vouchers that have been paid as referenced in Question No 4, above, how many were paid within 20 days as per the Northern Territory Government's payment policy, which states: "All invoices under \$1 million will be paid within 20 days of receiving the invoice, unless there is a dispute over the account."

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers paid under 20 days	3,118	85	19	3,222

6. Of the vouchers that have been paid as referenced in Question No 4, above, how many were paid outside of the 20 days limit as set forth in the Northern Territory Government's payment policy?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers paid over 20 days	1,261	58	16	1,335

7. Of the vouchers that have been paid as referenced in Question No 4, above, how many have been paid outside of 90 days?

	HIS	BIG	IWG	Total
Vouchers paid over 20 days	2	0	0	2