



STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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**Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22**  
**ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**  
**20 October 2021**

Asked by ELIZABETH KIKKERT MLA on 20 OCTOBER 2021: ANDREW BARR MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to:

THE CHAIR: Thank you. We will move on to output class 5, revenue management, unless any other members or Ms Lee have a question about economic management, financial management? Okay, let us roll on. Referring to the accountability indicators on page 55 of budget statement B, the interim outcome for indicator A shows the level of overdue rates as a percentage of total rates of revenue.

It is 10 per cent for 2020-21 compared with the targets of 5 per cent in 2020-21 and 2021-22. The interim outcome for general rates is \$612 million. Could you give a breakdown of the overdue rates into residential and commercial? And how many households and how many businesses are we talking about?

Mr Barr: We will take that one on notice. There is a reasonable amount of detail, I think, associated with that.

ANDREW BARR MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

The following table provides the value of overdue rates (including the fire and emergency services levy and the safer families levy), and the number of properties in arrears, as at 30 June 2021, for residential and commercial property properties.

Property type	Overdue rates ('000) *	Number of properties
Residential	\$42,491	11,052
Commercial	\$14,370	583**

\* The figures in the table are point in time as at 30 June 2021. These will differ from the 12 month average figure which is used to calculate accountability indicator output 5.1(a).

\*\* This number relates to rateable commercial properties. It does not identify how many businesses are in arrears.

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Signature: 

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By the Treasurer, Andrew Barr MLA