



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport, Regional
Development & Local Government Committee***Chair: Catherine King MP*

The Global Financial Crisis and regional Australia

The House of Representatives Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government will table its report into the impact of the global financial crisis on regional Australia in parliament this evening.

The evidence gathered by the Committee for its *Global Financial Crisis and regional Australia* report was taken in regional centres throughout Australia during the height of the crisis this year. The report therefore provides a brief picture of the crisis as it unfolded in Australia's regions and ways in which the Commonwealth Government has been responding. The report makes several specific recommendations before concluding with a discussion about regional development policy in Australia.

Embargoed copies of the report

Embargoed copies of the Committee's report are available today, only to members of the Parliamentary Press Gallery, from the committee secretariat until 5 pm. The secretariat is located at R1-121, Parliament House, Canberra. After presentation (approximately 9 pm) the report will be available from the Table Office and from the secretariat Tuesday morning.

For media comment: Please contact Brendan Gullifer on (02) 6277 4230.

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<http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/itrdlg/financialcrisis/index.htm>