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Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Queensland business community, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ) would like to thank the Legal Affairs and Community Safety Committee for the opportunity to provide feedback on the *G20 (Safety and Security) Bill 2013* at the Parliamentary Committee hearing held on the 26<sup>th</sup> September 2013.

CCIQ would like to provide some additional information regarding the implementation of a public holiday in the Brisbane Local Government Area on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014 for the G20 Summit. CCIQ has assessed the approach adopted in Western Australia during the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in 2011. Here, the Australian and Western Australian governments worked together to minimise the impact on normal city operations. As a result, the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday was changed from Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October to minimise disruption. Therefore, if in the event that the public holiday catchment of the Brisbane Local Government Area cannot be reduced to the cordoned security zone, CCIQ suggests a similar approach be considered.

As articulated during the hearing CCIQ has analysed Brisbane business numbers using ABS Australian business count data (see attached). The imposition of an additional public holiday for the G20 summit will affect a total of 43, 542 businesses in the Brisbane Local Government Area. Of those, 7 086 businesses operate within the restricted zone stipulated in the proposed Bill. Accordingly, 36, 456 businesses outside of the restricted zone will be unnecessarily impacted by the Bill.

CCIQ looks forward to continuing to work with the State Government and the Committee to ensure the best outcomes are achieved for Queensland businesses, our economy and the community. If you have any questions regarding this correspondence please contact Policy Advisor Julia Mylne on (07) 3842 2253 or email [jmylne@cciq.com.au](mailto:jmylne@cciq.com.au).

Yours Sincerely,

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## BRISBANE LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA BUSINESS ANALYSIS

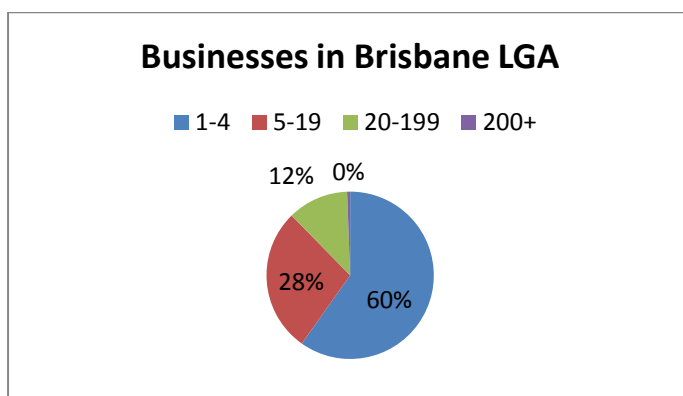
The most recent accurate data on business counts by regions within Queensland are sourced through the ABS counts of Australian businesses including entries and exits 2011. It should be noted that the classification of businesses takes into account small (1-19), medium (20-199 employees) and large businesses (200+ employees) and results are based on data collected from the 2010/11 financial year. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) data also provides the total numbers of ‘non-employing’ businesses, which have been removed for the purpose of this analysis due to the fact that the legislation affects businesses employing staff to a greater degree. To include this data would inflate the overall picture of many currently operating businesses in Queensland. CCIQ does however acknowledge the large contribution made by many non-employing businesses to the Queensland economy, but for the purpose of this analysis they have not been included.

The total number of businesses operating within the Brisbane Local Government Area that would be affected by the G20 (Safety and Security) Bill 2013 (the Bill) Amendments is 43, 542 businesses. Of these businesses, almost 60% equated small businesses (employing 1-4 people) as seen in Table 1 and Picture 1. Of the total 43, 542 businesses, 6527 represented wholesale and retail trade; 3638 represented accommodation, food, arts and recreation; 15, 180 represented business, professional and administration services; and 8203 businesses represented construction and manufacturing.

**Table 1:**

Brisbane Local Government Area business counts				
1-4	5-19	20-199	200+	Total employing businesses
26045	12124	5119	254	
59.8%	27.8%	11.8%	0.6%	
				43,542

**Picture 1:**



The ‘core declared areas in Brisbane’ map under Schedule 3 Part 1 of the Bill, shows the restricted areas in the inner city and Southbank regions. Within these restricted areas, a total of 7086 businesses operate, 52.3% of which are small businesses employing 1-4 people (as shown in Table 2 and Picture 2). Of those 7086 businesses operating within the restricted areas, 751 are wholesale

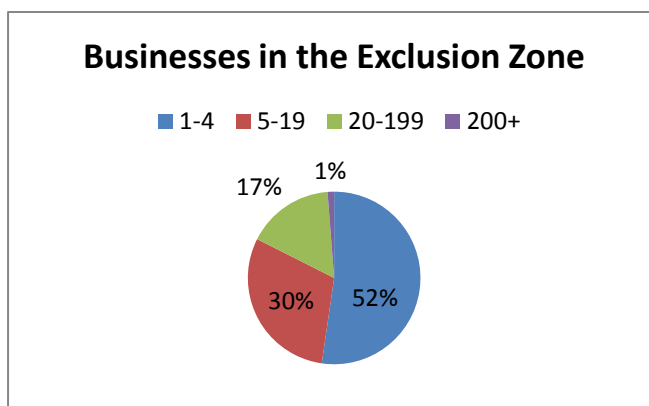
and retail trade; 687 are accommodation, food, arts and recreation; and 3717 represent business, professional and administrative services. The postcodes included in the count for the restricted area are 4000, 4001, 4006, 4101 and 4169.

**Table 2:**

**Brisbane counts exclusion zone**

1-4	5-19	20-199	200+	Total employing businesses
3706	2135	1158	87	
52.3%	30.1%	16.3%	1.2%	
				7086

**Picture 2:**



The total number of businesses operating outside of the restricted areas that would be impacted by the Bill equate 36, 456 businesses, or 83.72% of the total (See Picture 3).

**Picture 3:**

**Picture 4: Brisbane Local Government Area Map**

