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Minister for Business, Arts and Creative Industries

Minister for Children, Youth and Families

Minister for Multicultural Affairs

Minister for Skills, Training and Industrial Relations

Member for Yerrabi

**RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE****Questions on Notice Paper No 1****6 DECEMBER 2024****Question No. 59****JO CLAY MLA:** To ask the Minister for Business, Arts and Creative Industries

What is the economic contribution of the arts to the ACT local economy.

**MICHAEL PETTERSSON MLA** - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

The Australian Bureau of Statistics collects data on cultural and creative activity participation and attendance in Australia. Drawing on this data, the University of Canberra's [Creative Canberra](#) 2023 report (page 40) found that the ACT creative industries contributed nearly \$2.9 billion to the ACT economy, which is 7.4 per cent of the ACT's Gross State Product. The contribution of each ACT Creative Domain (excepting Festivals and Public Events) to the Creative Economy Gross State Product, 2019-20 was:

i. Arts Workers:	\$25.41 million (1%)
ii. Performance:	\$24.48 million (1%)
iii. Communication and Creative Services:	\$190.39 million (7%)
iv. Writing and Publishing:	\$79.79 million (3%)
v. Visual Arts and Crafts:	\$94.81 million (3%)
vi. Digital Media and Media Production:	\$444.68 million (15%)
vii. Cultural and Natural Heritage:	\$306.41 million (11%)
viii. Design:	\$1,706.18 million (59%)

**Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.****Michael Pettersson MLA**

Minister Business, Arts and Creative Industries

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