

Analysis of impacts of SAPN's 2017-2020 TSS on South Australian SME businesses

(June 2016 study conducted by
2XE for Business SA and South
Australian Wine Industry
Association)



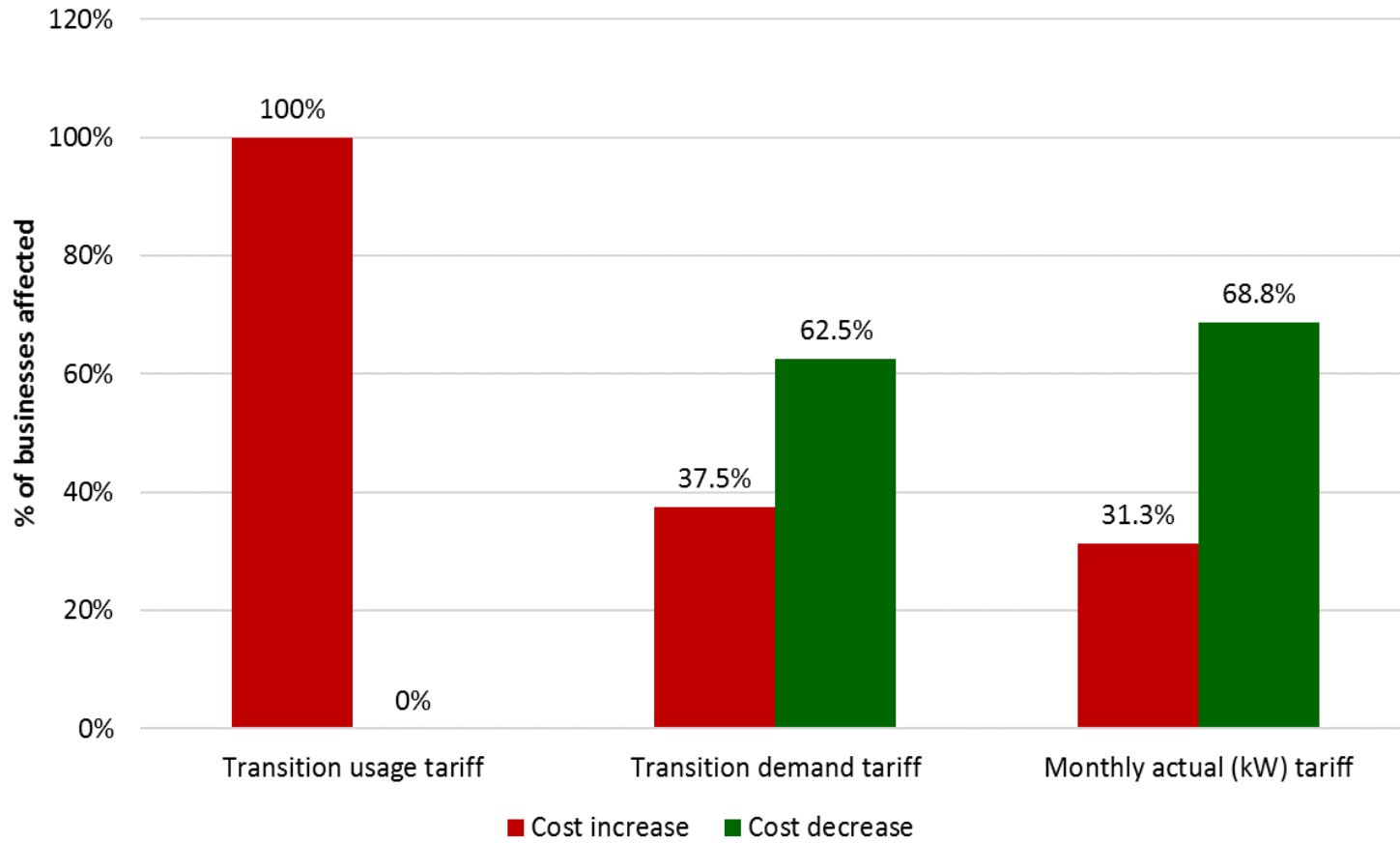
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Industry Consultation

Industry Sector	Number of businesses
Administration and support services	3
Manufacturing and agriculture	5
Medical	4
Retail and wholesale trades	5
Tourism and hospitality	3
Wineries	5
Total	25



Predicted outcomes under proposed tariff changes



Metering Considerations

Industry Sector	Meter Type		
	Type 1 – 4	Type 5	Type 6
Administration and support services	3	0	2
Manufacturing and agriculture	0	1	2
Medical	0	0	5
Retail and wholesale trades	2	0	4
Tourism and hospitality	2	0	1
Wineries	2	2	1
Total	9 (33%)	3 (11%)	15 (56%)



Key Recommendations from Study - Summary

Go slow on mandatory transition while small businesses ascertain impacts and make plans to adapt

Revise mandatory assignment from equipment install >25amps

Provide further reasoning behind any consumption cut-off threshold

Simplify tariff options or at least communicate with businesses prior to the end of any transition period

Reschedule implementation period to align with contestable metering

Develop tariff pack and tariff calculator for SME businesses



Current Matters to Consider

- SAPN have adopted much less aggressive approach to transition since initial TSS – AER decision due on 27 February
- time of implementation coincident with fast rising generation costs
- capital and ongoing operating costs of smart meters
- are we incentivising reduced demand to save on network or generation costs or both?? How should price signals be sent?



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