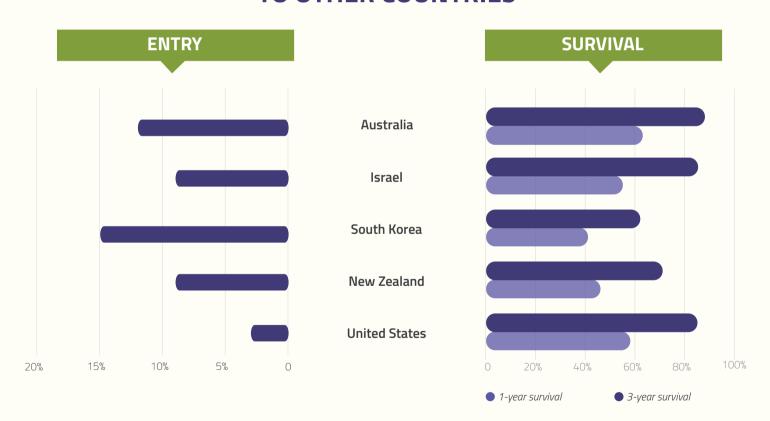
# BUSINESS SET-UP, TRANSFER AND CLOSURE: DRAFT REPORT



#### 2.6 MILLION BUSINESSES



### BUSINESS ENTRY AND SURVIVAL RATES ARE SIMILAR TO OTHER COUNTRIES



#### **DID YOU KNOW?**



of businesses close each year for reasons other than financial failure. They can be sold, passed onto family members, associates or employees or closed.

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#### **BUSINESS AND INNOVATION**

A very low proportion are innovative.



1 - 2%

offer a product or service new to Australian or international markets Small businesses are far less likely to engage in innovative activity or a service that was 'new to Australia' than larger businesses



### POLICY SHOULD CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT THAT ENABLES ENTRY OF NEW AND INNOVATIVE BUSINESSES

Our draft report makes recommendations about how to improve the ability of businesses to innovate.

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#### MORE INNOVATIVE WAYS TO GET FINANCE HELPS ALL BUSINESSES



New debt financing platforms, such as peer-to-peer lending, are helping to fill the gap in unsecured debt finance available from the major financial institutions.



Crowd-sourced equity is provided by both professional and mum and dad investors. A two-tier regulatory structure should be introduced to satisfy the different risk preferences of these investors.