

Recent trends in SME and entrepreneurship finance (Financing SMEs and Entrepreneurs 2016: An OECD Scoreboard)

This chapter analyses trends in SME and entrepreneurship finance over 2007-14, based on data collected for the country scoreboards and information from demand-side surveys. A short overview of the global business environment sets the framework for the analysis of SME financing trends and conditions, focusing in particular on the changes which occurred in participating countries between 2013 and 2014. These recent developments are compared with trends during the 2008-09 crisis and early recovery stages. The pre-crisis year 2007 serves as a benchmark. The chapter concludes with an overview of government policy responses put in place to improve SMEs' access to finance in light of recent developments.

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