

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2010-11 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 7

**Question No:** 243

**Topic:** Indexation in regards to the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program

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**Senator Payne** asked:

With the change in wage cost indexes that the Department of Finance uses to index the appropriation for the entire program, you advised that when it comes to providers it becomes quite a small difference between the two variables. What do you regard as small in that case so I have a better idea of quantum?

**Answer:**

The decrease to the program base in 2010/11 was \$442,000 which is 0.1552 per cent of the program base of \$284,753,000.