

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E11-520

OUTCOME 2: Access to Pharmaceutical Services

Topic: DEFERRAL OF LISTINGS

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

How many medicines costing less than \$10 million have been listed on the PBS in the last five years?

Answer:

The number of medicines listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) since 2007 costing less than \$10 million per year is summarised in the table below.

Summary: Estimates for PBS listings and price increases costing less than \$10 million per year.

Listing type	Number of listings
2007-08	
New listings- with financial impact < \$10 m	11
Minor new listings- no financial impact	115
2008-09	
New listings- with financial impact < \$10 m	24
Minor new listings- no financial impact	122
2009-10	
New listings- with financial impact < \$10 m	31
Minor new listings- no financial impact	52
2010-11	
New listings- with financial impact < \$10 m	17
Minor new listings- no financial impact	116
Total: 2007-08 to 2010-11	
New listings- with financial impact < \$10 m	84
Minor new listings- no financial impact	405