

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME: 4 - Acute Care

Topic: Hospital Funding

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Question:

Under the old formula for funding public hospitals, how much would have been allocated in the 2014-15 financial year, and how much in the 2015-16 financial year?

Answer:

Prior to 2014-15, Commonwealth funding for public hospitals was calculated according to the formula for the former National Healthcare Specific Purpose Payment (SPP). As at the 2015-16 Budget, estimates of the former National Healthcare SPP were:

Estimates as at Budget 2015-16 (\$ billion)

	2014-15	2015-16
Former National Healthcare SPP	14.5	15.4
National Health Reform funding for public hospitals under current arrangements	15.5	16.4