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Senator Louise Pratt asked:

I want to ask for a breakdown in the line item between the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children and the national plan for reducing violence against women and their children. They are both in the same budget line item, but there is not a split between how much is being spent on each plan.

So there are activities with, for example, the family and domestic violence framework that are not just about the architecture? They are programmatic things as well, which is why you cannot compare the two figures. Is that right?

Answer:

The National Initiatives component comprises three sub-activities - the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009-2020 (the National Framework), the Support for Trafficked People Program, and the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010-2022 (the National Plan).

The table below provides details of the funds made available under each initiative:

National Initiatives	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m	2018-19 \$m	2019-20 \$m	2020-21 \$m
National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children	4.905	4.005	3.955	2.984	2.653
Support for Trafficked People Program	1.426	1.719	0.755	0.755	0.755
National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children	47.321	66.496	43.169	27.871	27.809
Total Appropriation	53.652	72.220	47.879	31.610	31.217

The National Plan sub-activity includes ongoing funding for initiatives to support the National Plan. This includes funding for key services like 1800RESPECT, the primary prevention organisation Our Watch and Australia's National Research Organisation for Women's Safety.

In addition to the ongoing funding, the National Plan sub-activity also includes the addition of \$44.61 million from 2016-17 to 2018-19 for specific actions under the Third Action Plan 2016-19 of the National Plan. This includes funding for primary prevention and early intervention, frontline services and domestic violence research.