

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000199

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School funding cuts

Question

Can the Department advise on cuts to school funding by all States and Territories by loading, by school and school sector.

Answer

There are no cuts to Commonwealth school funding, with total Commonwealth funding to all schools across Australia of \$69.4 billion over the four years to 2018–19. This is an increase of 27.3 per cent since 2014–15.

The Australian Government has foreshadowed an indicative redistribution of funding for government schools from 2018, with greater consistency and fairness between jurisdictions, as a basis for formal discussions with all states and territories and non-government education authorities.