

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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2011-12 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 32

Topic: Social Housing

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Senator Boyce asked:

What proportion of the funding provided to each State for building accommodation under the Nation Building Program is spent on management and contingency fees?

Answer:

The Commonwealth's assessment of all projects was based on the value for money of the entire project. Individual components including architect fees, management fees, site clearance, or differing trades were not considered separately.

The national average cost of approximately \$272,000 per dwelling was significantly lower than the original expectation of \$300,000. This should enable the delivery of around 19,600 dwellings rather than the original expectation of 17,460 dwellings.