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Topic: Growth of Real Spending

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Senator SHERRY asked:

Can you indicate the last time when we had a period where real spending was growing above three per cent for four consecutive years?

Mr Tune—We would have to take that on notice.

Senator SHERRY—You cannot recall any period when that happened?

Mr Tune—I cannot myself, but I will take it on notice and we can check that.

Answer:

Historical estimates of real growth in spending are shown in *Budget Strategy and Outlook 2007-08, Statement 13: Historical Australian Government Data*, Table 1 (page 13-5).