

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

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Question: BET 419

Topic: Concessional Contribution Caps

Hansard Page: Written

Senator EGGLESTON asked:

1. What additional taxation will the ATO generate in 2009-10 as a result of Australians exceeding concessional contribution caps? Is this amount reflected in the Budget papers?

Answer:

The ATO has asked Treasury to respond to Question 4 of BET 416.

- As noted by the ATO on 1 June 2010 by Mr Neil Olesen, Deputy Commissioner, Superannuation (Hansard Page E80), at this stage no excess contributions tax assessments for 2009-10 income year have been raised, as fund reporting will not be received until October 2010 and later for most funds.
- The 2009-10 Budget contained estimates (not separately identified) of excess contributions tax (ECT) associated with ensuring taxpayers met their superannuation obligations, including ECT, during the global financial downturn (page 390, Budget Paper No. 2).
- The 2010-11 Budget did not anticipate additional ECT collections relating to breaches of the concessional contribution caps.