

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 2

DEEWR Question No. EW014_09

Senator Nettle provided in writing.

Question

Estimates of funding for schools for 2009 - 2012

Please provide a table which summarises the Department's best estimate of funding for schools for each of the years 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, broken down by each separate program and by each sector (i.e. government schools, Catholic systemic schools, independent schools).

Answer

Table 3.4 in Budget Paper No 3 reproduced below reflects the Department's best available estimate of funding for government and non-government schools.

Table 3.4: Payments to support state education services

| \$million | Estimates | | Projections | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 2007-08 | 2008-09 | 2009-10 | 2010-11 | 2011-12 |
| National early childhood development and schools agreement | | 4,607.1 | 9,832.1 | 10,398.2 | 11,043.7 |
| Government schools | 1,844.8 | 985.1 | | | |
| Government schools (capital) | 528.5 | 165.3 | | | |
| Indigenous education strategic initiatives - government | 104.9 | 55.4 | | | |
| *Non-government schools | 5,306.1 | 2,913.1 | | | |
| *Non-government schools (capital) | 237.2 | 93.2 | | | |
| Targeted programs - government schools and joint | 450.2 | 270.9 | | | |
| *Targeted programs - non-government schools | 228.6 | 124.2 | | | |
| National vocational education and training agreement | | 641.6 | 1,305.2 | 1,327.1 | 1,353.6 |
| Skilling Australia's Workforce | 1,246.4 | 641.6 | | | |
| National Partnership payments | | | | | |
| Children's services | 8.6 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 9.0 | 9.2 |
| <i>including Election commitments</i> | | | | | |
| Early childhood education and care | - | 40.0 | 80.0 | 100.0 | 300.0 |
| National action plan for literacy and numeracy(a) | - | 94.2 | 156.6 | 159.8 | 162.5 |
| National secondary schools computer fund(a) | 100.0 | 390.2 | 277.1 | 200.0 | 200.0 |
| Trade training centres in schools | - | 233.1 | 242.9 | 253.1 | 263.7 |
| Payments to local government | | | | | |
| Children's services | 40.6 | 42.1 | 42.8 | 43.4 | 44.1 |
| Existing payments | | | | | |
| Australian Technical Colleges(b) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Relocation of Amberley State School, Queensland | 26.8 | - | - | - | - |
| Total | 10,122.7 | 11,305.9 | 11,945.7 | 12,490.6 | 13,376.8 |
| <i>Memorandum item</i> | | | | | |
| Support for government schools | 2,998.4 | 3,455.7 | 3,596.3 | 3,718.4 | 3,885.6 |
| Support for non-government schools | 5,801.9 | 6,476.1 | 6,912.6 | 7,292.7 | 7,784.3 |

* Items so marked are classified as payments through the States.

(a) Includes funding for government and non-government schools.

(b) Total expenditure on Australian Technical Colleges is estimated at \$459.2 million over the five years to 2011-12. Most of this funding is classified as Australian Government own-purpose expenses. Payments to the States for this program are included under non government schools programs to 2008-09 and National early childhood development and schools agreement from 2008-09.