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# FOREWORD

Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures 2012-13* ensures that the Budget Papers provide comprehensive information on all Government decisions that involve changes to its revenue, expense and investing activities since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

Budget Paper No. 2 comprises three parts:

- Part 1: Revenue Measures
- Part 2: Expense Measures
- Part 3: Capital Measures

Revenue measures are defined as those measures that affect taxation or non-taxation revenues (on a Government Finance Statistics basis).

Expense measures are defined as those measures that affect expenses (on a Government Finance Statistics basis).

Capital measures are defined as those measures that affect net capital investment, defined as the change in non-financial assets. Capital measures that fall outside of this definition, such as equity injections or loans used for purposes other than investment in non-financial assets, are shown as having a zero impact on the fiscal balance.

## Notes

- (a) The following definitions are used in this Budget Paper:
- ‘real’ means adjusted for the effect of inflation;
  - real growth in expenses is calculated using the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as the deflator;
  - the Budget year refers to 2012-13, while the forward years refer to 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16; and
  - one billion is equal to one thousand million.
- (b) Figures in tables and generally in the text have been rounded. Discrepancies in tables between totals and sums of components are due to rounding.
- estimates under \$100,000 are rounded to the nearest thousand;
  - estimates \$100,000 and over are generally rounded to the nearest tenth of a million; and
  - estimates midway between rounding points are rounded up.

(c) For the budget balance, a negative sign indicates a deficit while no sign indicates a surplus.

(d) The following notations are used:

- nil

na not applicable

.. not zero, but rounded to zero

\$m millions of dollars

nfp not for publication

COAG Council of Australian Governments

AEST Australian Eastern Standard Time

NEC/nec not elsewhere classified

\* The nature of this measure is such that a reliable estimate cannot be provided.

(e) The Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory are referred to as 'the Territories'. References to the 'States' or 'each State' include the Territories. The following abbreviations are used for the names of the States, where appropriate:

NSW New South Wales

VIC Victoria

QLD Queensland

WA Western Australia

SA South Australia

TAS Tasmania

ACT Australian Capital Territory

NT Northern Territory

(f) In this paper the term Commonwealth refers to the Commonwealth of Australia. The term is used when referring to the legal entity of the Commonwealth of Australia.

The term Australian Government is used when referring to the Government and the decisions and activities made by the Government on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia.

Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures 2012-13* is one of a series of Budget Papers that provides information to supplement the Budget Speech. A full list of the series is printed on the inside cover of this paper.

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# Part 1: Revenue Measures

**Table 1: Revenue measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup>**

Page		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	<b>AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY</b>					
	<i>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
9	Changes to agricultural production levies	-0.1	1.0	1.6	3.1	3.2
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>3.2</b>
	<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S</b>					
	<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>					
10	Court fee increases	-	-	-	-	-
84	Document Verification Service — extension to the private sector(b)	-	-	1.0	2.3	3.5
	<i>Various Agencies</i>					
10	Court fee increases	-	10.9	22.0	22.0	22.0
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
22	Company tax cut — do not proceed	-	-2.0	-5.0	-6.0	-8.0
11	Extension of the South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement — Textile, Clothing and Footwear Scheme	-	-	-	-	-
11	Passenger movement charge — increase	-	85.0	140.0	175.0	210.0
	<i>Australian Federal Police</i>					
10	Australian Federal Police — partial cost recovery of airport policing	-	-	38.2	39.3	40.5
	<i>Australian Human Rights Commission</i>					
85	Economic Potential of Senior Australians — countering negative stereotypes and promoting positive media portrayal of older Australians(b)	-	-	..	..	-
	<i>Federal Court of Australia</i>					
87	National Native Title Tribunal reform — increased efficiencies(b)	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
	<i>National Native Title Tribunal</i>					
87	National Native Title Tribunal reform — increased efficiencies(b)	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>93.9</b>	<b>196.2</b>	<b>291.5</b>	<b>268.1</b>
	<b>BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY</b>					
	<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>					
12	Broadcast licence fees — rebate extension	-	-80.0	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-80.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

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	<b>CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY</b>					
	<i>Clean Energy Regulator</i>					
13	Clean Energy Future — coverage of non-transport gaseous fuels under the carbon pricing mechanism	-	..	75.0	75.0	80.0
	<i>Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency</i>					
100	National Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Program — establishment(b)	-	5.0	5.3	5.8	6.7
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>80.3</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>86.7</b>
	<b>DEFENCE</b>					
	<i>Department of Defence</i>					
103	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution(b)	-	21.3	-	-	-
104	Solomon Islands — continued Australian Defence Force assistance to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands(b)	-	1.6	-	-	-
104	Timor-Leste — continuation of Australia's commitment to helping to maintain security and stability(b)	-	1.5	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS</b>					
	<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>					
231	Ministerial Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment — Secretariat services(b)	1.2	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS</b>					
	<i>Indigenous Business Australia</i>					
137	Consolidation of the Indigenous Home Ownership Programs(b)	-	-1.7	0.3	0.6	0.8
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-1.7</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>
	<b>FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE</b>					
	<i>AusAID</i>					
90	Official development assistance — Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>					
14	Export Finance and Insurance Corporation — special dividend	-	200.0	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>200.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>



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<b>HEALTH AND AGEING</b>						
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>						
179	Increased funding for the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman(b)	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5
304	Latent Tuberculosis Infection Testing — revised purchasing arrangements(c)	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
191	Medicare Benefits Schedule — new and revised listings(b)	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	-
199	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new and amended listings(b)	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
202	Private Health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit — establishment(b)	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
203	Prostheses List — removal of joint replacement prostheses with unacceptably high revision rates(b)	-	0.1	0.1	..	..
<i>Private Health Insurance Administration Council</i>						
202	Private Health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit — establishment(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.5</b>
<b>IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP</b>						
<i>Department of Immigration and Citizenship</i>						
15	Employer sanctions — reform	-	0.3	0.6	0.8	-
214	Migration Program — allocation of places for 2012-13(b)	-	3.6	3.7	4.5	4.6
126	Seasonal Labour Mobility Program with Pacific Island Countries and East Timor — establishment(b)	-	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.3
15	Visa Charges — revised arrangements	-	5.3	23.4	19.3	18.9
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>9.9</b>	<b>28.5</b>	<b>25.6</b>	<b>24.8</b>
<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION</b>						
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>						
106	Adjustment to the HECS-HELP Benefit for Early Childhood Education Teachers(b)	-	..	..	-0.1	-0.2
224	Commonwealth Supported Places and Higher Education Loan Program — change in eligibility for Australian citizens not residing in Australia(b)	-	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-2.1
227	Higher Education — increased student contributions for mathematics, statistics and science units(b)	-	-	1.2	4.7	8.1
231	Ministerial Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment — Secretariat services(b)	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
233	National Skills Reform — changes to income contingent loans for Vocational Education and Training students(b)	-	-1.8	2.7	32.0	41.8
124	Schools — Teach Next Program changes(b)	-	..	..	..	..

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	<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION (continued)</b>					
	<i>Australian Skills Quality Authority</i>					
221	Australian Skills Quality Authority (National Vocational Education and Training Regulator) — additional funding(b)	-	5.2	13.4	13.9	13.7
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>17.8</b>	<b>50.5</b>	<b>62.2</b>
	<b>SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES</b>					
	<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>					
266	Bureau of Meteorology — website advertising — one-year trial(b)	-	nfp	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities</i>					
16	Clean Energy Future — exemption of metered dose inhalers and imported foam products	-	-	-	-	-
268	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act — implementation of reforms(b)	-	4.1	7.8	12.0	14.2
272	Remediation of land affected by the Tiwi Islands Plantation project — contribution(b)	-	1.0	-	-	-
	<i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority</i>					
16	Temporary reduction in the Standard Tourist Program Charge for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park	-	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>14.2</b>
	<b>TREASURY</b>					
	<i>Australian Prudential Regulation Authority</i>					
276	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority — sustaining capacity(b)	-	18.9	20.0	19.7	23.8
280	Stronger Super — implementation of SuperStream reforms(b)	-	121.5	111.1	83.1	69.3
	<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>					
277	Australian Securities and Investments Commission — enhanced market supervision(b)	-	1.5	7.0	9.4	15.2
278	Future of Financial Advice Reform(b)	-	4.0	10.4	5.3	5.3
309	Insolvency practitioners — modernisation and harmonisation of the regulatory framework(c)	-	6.4	3.7	2.7	2.8
281	Stronger Super — self managed superannuation funds auditor registration(b)	-	-0.5	..	-0.2	-0.2

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	<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
17	Australian Business Register — towards a better business future	-	27.9	24.7	25.3	25.9
82	Australian Federal Police — continued deployment to the United Nations Mission in Cyprus(b)	-	-0.1	-	-	-
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan — an integrated whole-of-government approach — continuation(b)	-	-1.0	-1.1	-	-
18	Bad debts — ensuring consistent treatment in related party financing arrangements	-	5.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
12	Broadcast licence fees — rebate extension	-	-	11.0	3.0	-4.0
	Capital gains tax					
18	– amendments to beneficial interests	-	*	*	*	*
19	– amendments to the revenue asset and trading stock roll-overs for interposing a company	-	*	*	*	*
19	– broadening relief for taxpayers affected by natural disasters	-	*	*	*	*
20	– broadening the exemptions for certain compensation payments and insurance policies	-	-	*	*	*
20	– refinements to the income tax law in relation to deceased estates	..	..	..	..	..
21	– strengthening certain integrity provisions in the scrip for scrip roll-over	-	-	-	-	-
21	Capital gains tax and loss relief to facilitate superannuation reforms	-	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0
	Clean Energy Future					
22	– Clean Energy Finance Corporation income tax exemption	-	-	-	-	-
13	– coverage of non-transport gaseous fuels under the carbon pricing mechanism	-	..	-75.0	-75.0	-80.0
22	Company tax cut — do not proceed	50.0	302.0	1,205.0	1,556.0	1,508.0
23	Debt-Equity rules — treatment of Tier 2 capital instruments under the Basel III capital reforms	-	*	*	*	*
23	Duty free allowances — cigarettes and tobacco	-	127.0	165.0	176.0	192.0
24	Extending the microbreweries excise refund scheme	-	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5
	Fringe benefits tax					
24	– further reform of living-away-from-home allowances and benefits	-	50.0	217.0	353.0	399.0
25	– reform of airline transport fringe benefits	..	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
	GST					
26	– compliance program — two year extension	-	-	-	464.3	521.9

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	<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
	GST					
26	– Government response to Board of Taxation report: GST cross-border transactions — minor changes	-	*	-	-	-
27	– GST-free health supplies — minor changes	-	-	-	-	-
27	– GST-free nicotine replacement therapy	-	-	-	-	-
28	– limiting the Commissioner of Taxation's ability to backdate GST registrations	-	*	*	*	*
28	– reduced input tax credits for credit unions	..	..	..	..	..
29	– sale of a corporation's property by a mortgagee or chargee	-	-	-	-	-
29	– treatment of appropriations — minor change	-	-	-	-	-
29	Income tax — ensuring the effective operation of the general anti-avoidance rule	-	-	-	-	-
	International tax					
30	– Australia-Bahrain tax information exchange agreement	-	..	..	..	..
30	– Australia-India tax protocol	-	*	*	*	*
31	– increase in managed investment trust final withholding tax rate	-	50.0	65.0	70.0	75.0
31	– investment manager regime prospective arrangements	*	*	*	*	*
31	– removal of the capital gains tax discount for non-residents	-	..	5.0	20.0	30.0
32	– update to the list of countries that have effective exchange of information arrangements with Australia	..	..	..	..	..
32	Limited recourse debt — amended definition	-	-	-	-	-
103	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution(b)	-	-72.2	-1.6	-	-
32	Not-for-profit reforms — extending the start date for better targeting of not-for-profit tax concessions	*	*	*	*	*
	Official development assistance					
89	– extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste(b)	-	-0.8	-	-	-
90	– Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	-0.4	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
	Personal income tax					
33	– better targeting of the employment termination payment tax offset	20.0	20.0	50.0	55.0	60.0
34	– changes to tax rates for non-residents	-	19.3	22.2	22.2	25.2
34	– changes to the net medical expenses tax offset	-	..	115.0	125.0	130.0
35	– consolidate the dependency offsets into one	-	..	25.0	25.0	20.0

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<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
	Personal income tax				
35	-	-	-	280.0	515.0
	– do not proceed with 50 per cent tax discount for interest income				
36	-	-	-	402.6	1,209.7
	– do not proceed with standard deduction				
36	-	-	-	-	-
	– exempting flood relief payments from income tax				
37	-	-	40.0	85.0	130.0
	– mature age worker tax offset phase out				
37	-	-50.0	-12.0	-12.0	-11.0
	– Medicare levy low income thresholds				
38	-	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
	Philanthropy — updating the list of specifically listed deductible gift recipients				
38	-	-1.0	-1.3	-1.8	-2.4
	Seasonal Labour Mobility Program — improved tax treatment				
104	-	-2.6	-0.1	-	-
	Solomon Islands — continued Australian Defence Force assistance to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands(b)				
39	-	-	-150.0	-250.0	-300.0
	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom — company loss carry-back				
40	-	-2.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
	Stronger Shipping for a Stronger Economy — minor amendments				
281	-	9.0	5.2	5.5	5.8
	Stronger Super — self managed superannuation funds auditor registration(b)				
	Superannuation				
40	-	580.0	730.0	130.0	-10.0
	– deferral of higher concessional contributions cap				
41	-	-	200.0	355.0	475.0
	– reduction of higher tax concession for contributions of very high income earners				
42	-	-	-	-	-
	Tax administration — restore Commissioner's ability to delay paying a refund				
42	-	-	10.0	100.0	280.0
	Tax Breaks for Green Buildings — closure				
	Tax compliance				
43	-	10.2	114.4	112.0	43.2
	– maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)				
44	-	-	-	-	-
	– managing tax debt in challenging times: a balanced and differentiated approach				
44	-	..	..	..	..
	Tax laws — minor amendments				
45	-	-	-	*	*
	Taxation agent services regime — exemption for taxation advice in the context of financial advice				
45	*	*	*	*	*
	Taxation of financial arrangements — foreign currency regulations — amendments				
45	*	-5.0	-	-	-
	Temporary flood and cyclone reconstruction levy — further exemptions				
104	-	-3.7	-0.1	-	-
	Timor-Leste — continuation of Australia's commitment to helping to maintain security and stability(b)				
46	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
	Wine equalisation tax — protecting the integrity of the wine producer rebate				

**Table 1: Revenue measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation					
17	-	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0
18	-	100.0	-	-	-
26	-	-	-	97.2	98.1
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>70.0</b>	<b>1,398.8</b>	<b>3,019.4</b>	<b>4,347.2</b>	<b>5,556.5</b>
<b>Decisions taken but not yet announced</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>65.0</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>13.5</b>	<b>10.0</b>
<b>Total impact of revenue measures(d)</b>	<b>76.0</b>	<b>1,722.4</b>	<b>3,362.4</b>	<b>4,762.9</b>	<b>6,027.0</b>

\* The nature of the measure is such that a reliable estimate cannot be provided.

.. Not zero, but rounded to zero.

- Nil.

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(a) A minus sign before an estimate indicates a reduction in revenue, no sign before an estimate indicates a gain in revenue.

(b) These measures can also be found in the expense measures summary table.

(c) These measures can also be found in the capital measures summary table.

(d) Measures may not add due to rounding.

## AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY

### Changes to agricultural production levies

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-0.1	1.0	1.6	3.1	3.2
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>	<i>-0.1</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>3.1</i>	<i>3.2</i>

The Government has adjusted the rate of the following agricultural production levies and export charges to meet changes in the funding needs of the agricultural industry organisations they support:

- Rice levy: maintained the rate of the rice levy at \$3.00 per tonne beyond 1 January 2012 and removed the listing of specific varieties in the current regulations so that the levy applies to all varieties of the rice species *Oryza Sativa*.
- Pig slaughter levy: increase the rate of the pig slaughter levy from \$1.35 to \$2.25 per head over three years, commencing on 1 July 2012. The levy will be increased in three 30 cent tranches.
- Dairy service levy: increase the rate of the dairy service levy from 2.6075 to 2.8683 cents per kilogram of milk fat, and from 6.3558 to 6.9914 cents per kilogram of protein, with effect from 1 July 2012.
- Wheat export charge: decrease the rate of the wheat export charge from 22 cents per tonne of wheat exported from Australia to zero, with effect from 18 May 2012. This rate will remain in place until the wheat export charge is abolished on 1 October 2012. Abolishing the wheat export charge was announced by the Government on 23 September 2011 in response to the Productivity Commission's report on Wheat Export Marketing Arrangements.

All revenue raised by the levy or export charge is provided directly to fund industry research and development or marketing programs. The Government will also continue to provide funding to match levies for research and development up to a cap, in accordance with existing co-investment arrangements.

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S

### Australian Federal Police — partial cost recovery of airport policing

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	-	38.2	39.3	40.5

The Government will partially recover the costs of aviation security services that are provided by the Australian Federal Police (AFP) at Australia's major international airports, consistent with the Australian Government's Cost Recovery policy. The charging relates only to the cost of the AFP's community policing role which supports commercial enterprises at major airports. Other aspects of the AFP's role at airports, including counter-terrorism activities, will not be affected by this arrangement.

The charging arrangement will commence on 1 July 2013 and will apply to operators of the 10 airports to which the AFP provides a community policing function (Adelaide, Brisbane, Cairns, Canberra, Darwin, Gold Coast, Hobart, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney).

The measure will generate revenue of \$118.1 million over four years.

### Court fee increases

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Various Agencies	-	10.9	22.0	22.0	22.0
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total — Revenue</b>	-	10.9	22.0	22.0	22.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Various Agencies	-	1.7	0.9	0.9	0.9
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total — Expense</b>	-	1.7	0.9	0.9	0.9

The Government will reform court fees to better reflect the capacity of different types of litigants to pay, with an overall increase to court fee revenue of \$76.9 million over four years. The reforms will send more appropriate price signals to court users to encourage them to utilise alternative dispute processes where appropriate, and will focus particularly on fees for corporations and resource intensive matters.

These changes form part of the Government's wider court reform package that focuses on improving judicial transparency, accessibility, and timely resolution of disputes.



### **Extension of the South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement — Textile, Clothing and Footwear Scheme**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-	-	-	-

The Government is providing for continued duty free entry of certain textiles, clothing and footwear (TCF) from Forum Island Countries that are covered by the South Pacific Regional Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (SPARTECA) by extending the SPARTECA (TCF provisions) Scheme until 31 December 2014. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact over the forward estimates period. Operating costs for the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education will be met from within existing resources.

Under SPARTECA, certain goods manufactured in Forum Island Countries may enter Australia duty free. The SPARTECA (TCF Provisions) Scheme allows TCF manufacturers to access duty free entry to Australia, promoting economic development in the Pacific.

The new Scheme end date of 31 December 2014 links with the TCF tariff reduction to five per cent from 1 January 2015.

### **Passenger movement charge — increase**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	85.0	140.0	175.0	210.0

The Government will increase the passenger movement charge by \$8 to \$55 per passenger with effect from 1 July 2012, with the charge to be indexed annually by movements in the Consumer Price Index thereafter. The measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$610.0 million over the forward estimates period.

The passenger movement charge was last increased in 2008.

See the related expense measure *Asia Marketing Fund – establishment*.

## BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

### Broadcast licence fees — rebate extension

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	11.0	3.0	-4.0
Australian Communications and Media Authority	-	-80.0	-	-	-
Total — Revenue	-	-80.0	11.0	3.0	-4.0

The Government will extend the 50 per cent television licence fee rebate for commercial broadcasters by six months until 30 June 2012. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$70.0 million over the forward estimates period.

The extension from 1 January 2012 acknowledges that the appropriate model for allocation and pricing of radiofrequency spectrum was under review until the end of March 2012.

The Government will consider the appropriate settings for television licence fees from 1 July 2012 in its response to the Convergence Review's Final Report.

**CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY****Clean Energy Future — coverage of non-transport gaseous fuels under the carbon pricing mechanism**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Clean Energy Regulator	-	..	75.0	75.0	80.0
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	-75.0	-75.0	-80.0
Total — Revenue	-	-	-	-	-

In response to consultation with industry, the Government has decided to mandate coverage of non-transport liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) and non-transport liquefied natural gas (LNG) by the carbon pricing mechanism from 1 July 2013, and will mandate coverage of non-transport compressed natural gas (CNG) by the carbon pricing mechanism from 1 July 2012.

Current carbon pricing arrangements apply an effective carbon price on non-transport gaseous fuels by increasing the excise and excise-equivalent customs duties on these fuels proportional to the relevant emissions rates and reducing fuel tax credits otherwise available to businesses. Coverage by the carbon pricing mechanism in place of these arrangements will reduce compliance costs and enable the gaseous fuels industry to better manage their carbon pricing obligations.

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

### Export Finance and Insurance Corporation — special dividend

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	200.0	-	-	-

The Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC) will pay a special dividend of \$200 million in 2012-13 from excess capital reserves. EFIC's capital adequacy ratio is well above its internal benchmark, and payment of this dividend will not affect EFIC's ability to meet its core business requirements.

## IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP

### Employer sanctions — reform

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	0.3	0.6	0.8	-

The Government will introduce legislation to reform employer sanctions to better support employers and labour referrers to meet their obligations regarding the employment of non-citizens and provide more effective enforcement arrangements where breaches occur.

Criminal prosecution is currently the only legal recourse for employers who breach employment conditions. To address this, the Government will introduce graduated tiers of employer sanctions, including for employers that refer for work or hire a non-citizen who does not have work rights, or undertake actions that would cause a person to breach their visa conditions. These revised sanctions will range from warning and infringement notices with financial penalties to civil penalties and criminal prosecution for the most serious breaches.

To ensure that employers are aware of the new arrangements the Government will also launch an awareness and education campaign. Complementary improvements to the Visa Entitlement Verification Online (VEVO) service will also be made.

These reforms will increase revenue by an estimated \$1.7 million over three years.

Further information can be found in the press release of 12 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship.

### Visa charges — revised arrangements

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	5.3	23.4	19.3	18.9

Visa charges for a number of optional visa services will be revised in this Budget. From 2012-13 onwards visa label charges will increase from \$60 to \$70. From 2013-14 onwards the price of paper lodgement will increase from \$60 to \$80 and the surcharge for subsequent onshore applications will increase from \$600 to \$700.

A full list of visa application charges is available on the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website: [www.immi.gov.au](http://www.immi.gov.au).

This measure is expected to raise \$67.0 million in revenue over four years.

## SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES

### Clean Energy Future — exemption of metered dose inhalers and imported foam products

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will exempt metered dose inhalers (MDIs) and imported foam and foam products from the equivalent carbon price applying to synthetic greenhouse gases. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact as there is no revenue recognised in the forward estimates for these products.

MDIs are largely used for the treatment of chronic respiratory diseases. Exempting them from coverage under the equivalent carbon price ensures that their medical use will not be discouraged.

Foam and foam products are used for refrigerators, freezers and insulation panels. It is currently impracticable to apply an equivalent carbon price to imported foam products.

### Temporary reduction in the Standard Tourist Program Charge for the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	-	-3.5	-3.5	-3.5	-

The Government will reduce the Standard Tourist Program Charge (STPC), the amount paid by a tourist on a visit to the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park with a commercial operator, from \$6.00 to \$3.50 for a full day and from \$3.00 to \$1.75 for a part day, commencing from 1 April 2012 until 31 March 2015. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$10.4 million over the forward estimates period.

The temporary reduction will help ease the financial pressure on the Great Barrier Reef tourism industry.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 2 February 2012 issued by the Deputy Prime Minister and Treasurer and the Minister for Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities.

## TREASURY

### Australian Business Register — towards a better business future

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	27.9	24.7	25.3	25.9
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	23.3	13.8	13.3	12.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	4.6	0.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$68.5 million over four years to the Australian Business Register (ABR) to improve the operation of the register and the quality and currency of its data by, amongst other things:

- expanding the ABR data fields to include geocoded addresses, details of branches and comprehensive associates data;
- enhancing the capacity to make determinations of whom is entitled to be granted and hold an Australian Business Number; and
- developing additional tools to support compliance activities, policy development, infrastructure and service delivery planning by the Commonwealth, State and local authorities.

This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$103.8 million over the forward estimates period. In underlying cash terms, the estimated increase in receipts is \$97.7 million.

### Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — dividend

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	75.0	75.0	75.0	75.0

The Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation (ARPC) will pay the Government an ongoing dividend of \$75.0 million a year from 2012-13.

The ARPC was established in 2003 to administer the terrorism insurance scheme under the *Terrorism Insurance Act 2003* (the Act). The Act provides for a Commonwealth guarantee of the ARPC's liabilities. The Government will be paid dividends to compensate for the provision of the guarantee consistent with the recommendation made in the 2012 Review of the Act

This is in addition to the special one-off dividend of \$100 million in 2012-13. See the related revenue measure titled – *Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — one-off dividend payment*.

### **Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — one-off dividend payment**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	100.0	-	-	-

The Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation (ARPC) will pay the Government a special one-off dividend of \$100 million in 2012-13.

The ARPC was established in 2003 to administer the terrorism insurance scheme under the *Terrorism Insurance Act 2003* (the Act). The Act provides for a Commonwealth guarantee of the ARPC's liabilities. The Government will be paid a dividend to compensate for the provision of the guarantee, consistent with the recommendation made in the 2012 Review of the Act.

See also the related revenue measure titled – *Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation – dividend*.

### **Bad debts — ensuring consistent treatment in related party financing arrangements**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	5.0	25.0	25.0	25.0

The Government will ensure a more consistent tax treatment for bad debts between related parties irrespective of whether they are members of a tax consolidated group. This will have effect from 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012 and is estimated to result in an \$80.0 million gain to revenue over the forward estimates period.

The measure will deny a tax deduction for a bad debt written off, where the debtor is a related party not in the same tax consolidated group. The corresponding gain to the debtor will also not be taxed.

### **Capital gains tax — amendments to beneficial interests**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*

The Government will make changes to support the effective operation of the 2011-12 Budget measure providing greater consistency in the application of the scrip for scrip roll-over and small business concessions to trusts, superannuation funds and life insurance companies. This measure is estimated to have a small but unquantifiable cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.



In particular, this measure ensures that the provisions concerning absolutely entitled beneficiaries, bankrupt individuals, security providers and companies in liquidation interact appropriately with the capital gains tax provisions and with the connected entity test in the small business entity provisions. These changes will apply at the option of taxpayers from the 2008-09 income year and automatically from Royal Assent.

This measure also ensures that consequential impacts on the *Wine Equalisation Tax Act 1999* through the operation of the changes to the connected entity test apply to wine producers from the first financial year after the amending legislation receives Royal Assent.

### **Capital gains tax — amendments to the revenue asset and trading stock roll-overs for interposing a company**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*

The Government will broaden the revenue asset and trading stock roll-overs that apply to the exchange of interests in a company or unit trust for shares in another company. These changes will apply from 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

This measure ensures that these revenue asset and trading stock roll-overs will be available for all interests that qualify for the general conditions of each of the roll-overs, rather than only shares in consolidated groups. The measure also improves integrity by requiring that the replacement shares in the interposed company must maintain the character of the original revenue asset or trading stock asset that was exchanged.

### **Capital gains tax — broadening relief for taxpayers affected by natural disasters**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*

The Government will resolve minor policy issues relating to the previously announced measure that provides capital gains tax (CGT) relief for taxpayers affected by natural disasters, with effect from 1 July 2011. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

This measure will ensure that taxpayers that are eligible for an automatic CGT exemption (such as the CGT main residence exemption) are not prevented from choosing the same CGT treatment available to other taxpayers under the announced relief measure. It also allows taxpayers that participate in an eligible land swap program for natural disasters in relation to their main residence to treat the replacement land they receive under the program as their main residence.

**Capital gains tax — broadening the exemptions for certain compensation payments and insurance policies**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	*	*	*

The Government will make minor extensions to the capital gains tax (CGT) exemptions for certain compensation payments and insurance policies, with effect from the 2005-06 income year. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

This measure will disregard CGT consequences where a taxpayer receives compensation, damages or certain insurance proceeds indirectly through a trust. This will ensure that the taxpayer has the same CGT outcome as a taxpayer who receives such proceeds directly. It will also ensure that insurance policies owned by superannuation funds that were treated as being CGT exempt prior to the 2011-12 Budget changes to compensation payments and insurance policies continue to be CGT exempt.

**Capital gains tax — refinements to the income tax law in relation to deceased estates**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	..	..	..	..	..

The Government will make a series of minor amendments to the 2011-12 Budget measure to ensure the proper functioning of the capital gains tax (CGT) provisions relating to deceased estates, with effect from Royal Assent. This measure is estimated to have a negligible cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

In particular, these changes:

- reduce compliance costs involved with the integrity provisions by ensuring that the deceased’s tax return does not need to be amended as the taxing point will be recognised by the entity transferring the asset;
- modify application dates for two of the minor changes announced in the 2011-12 Budget to ensure that taxpayers are not disadvantaged; and

- broaden the scope of the integrity provisions to also apply to assets passing via survivorship.

### Capital gains tax — strengthening certain integrity provisions in the scrip for scrip roll-over

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will amend the integrity provisions of the capital gains tax (CGT) scrip for scrip roll-over to remove significant tax minimisation opportunities, including weaknesses highlighted in a recent court decision. These changes will have effect from 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact, but will protect a significant amount of revenue that otherwise would be at risk.

The scrip for scrip roll-over provides CGT relief for shareholders when they exchange their shares in a company takeover and a capital gain would otherwise arise. It also provides relief for unitholders of trusts involved in takeovers.

The measure will ensure that taxpayers cannot get around the scrip for scrip roll-over's integrity provisions by holding interests to acquire ownership rights, such as convertible preference shares, rather than the underlying shares; and defer indefinitely the CGT liability that would have otherwise arisen under the integrity provisions for the on-sale of the target entity by the acquiring entity.

The measure will also strengthen the integrity provisions by: broadening the scope of the rules that apply to intra-group debt to cover debts owed to group entities other than the head entity; removing the CGT exemption for the repayment of such debts as it undermines the effectiveness of the integrity provisions; and ensuring that the integrity provisions apply appropriately to trusts.

### Capital gains tax and loss relief to facilitate superannuation reforms

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0

The Government will amend the law to ensure that income tax considerations do not prevent mergers of superannuation funds or transfers of existing default members' balances and relevant assets in the transition to *Stronger Super* and *MySuper*. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$15.0 million over the forward estimates period.

From 1 June 2012 to 1 July 2017, optional loss relief will be available for mergers of complying superannuation funds on the same terms and conditions as the former temporary loss relief that applied from 24 December 2008 to 30 September 2011, with some exceptions, including an optional roll-over for capital gains and appropriate integrity provisions.

From 1 July 2013 to 1 July 2017, an optional roll-over and loss relief will be made available for capital gains and capital losses on mandatory transfers of default members' balances and relevant assets to a MySuper product in another complying superannuation fund.

### **Clean Energy Future — Clean Energy Finance Corporation income tax exemption**

Revenue (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will exempt the Clean Energy Finance Corporation (CEFC) from income tax, with effect from 1 July 2013. The tax exemption will provide certainty as to the taxation status of the CEFC and enhance its ability to finance investments in the commercialisation and deployment of renewable energy and enabling technologies, energy efficiency and low-emissions technologies.

This measure, which has no revenue impact, delivers on the Government's plan for a clean energy future.

### **Company tax cut — do not proceed**

Revenue (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	50.0	302.0	1,205.0	1,556.0	1,508.0
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-2.0	-5.0	-6.0	-8.0
<b>Total — Revenue</b>	<b>50.0</b>	<b>300.0</b>	<b>1,200.0</b>	<b>1,550.0</b>	<b>1,500.0</b>
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-0.6	-1.2	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-16.0	-31.0	-46.0	-61.0
<b>Total — Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-16.6</b>	<b>-32.2</b>	<b>-46.0</b>	<b>-61.0</b>

The Government will not proceed with the measure to lower the company tax rate, from the 2013-14 income year, nor implement an early start to the company tax rate cut for small businesses from the 2012-13 income year.

It has become clear that the Government is not able to progress a cut in the company tax rate through the Parliament.

The Government has decided to direct the savings from not proceeding with the company tax cut towards funding other Government priorities, including boosting productivity through a loss carry-back arrangement for companies and measures to alleviate cost of living pressures for households.

This measure will provide savings of \$4,755.8 million over the forward estimates period, including the removal of the growth dividend over the forward estimates associated with the company tax rate cut (including an estimated reduction of \$154.0 million in GST revenue payable to the States and Territories).

See also the *Spreading the Benefits of the Boom* package of measures.

### **Debt-Equity rules — treatment of Tier 2 capital instruments under the Basel III capital reforms**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*

The Government will ensure that on commencement of the Basel III capital reforms on 1 January 2013, certain capital instruments issued by authorised deposit taking institutions (ADIs) can be treated as debt for income tax purposes. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

This change will apply to certain Tier 2 regulatory capital instruments issued by ADIs and certain other related entities regulated by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).

Under the Basel III capital reforms such instruments will have to be written-off or converted into ordinary shares if APRA decides that the ADI would otherwise become non-viable. If the current tax law applied to the instruments, they would likely be treated as equity for income tax purposes, and their funding costs would not be tax deductible.

### **Duty free allowances — cigarettes and tobacco**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	127.0	165.0	176.0	192.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	12.0	15.0	16.0	17.0

The Government will reduce the inbound duty free allowance for cigarettes and tobacco for international travellers aged 18 years and over to 50 cigarettes or 50 grams of tobacco, effective from 1 September 2012. This measure is estimated to provide savings to the Budget of \$600.0 million over the forward estimates period.

Currently, when arriving in Australia, international travellers aged 18 years and over are able to bring in up to 250 cigarettes or 250 grams of tobacco free of duty.

### Extending the microbreweries excise refund scheme

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5	-2.5

The Government will extend the current microbreweries excise refund scheme by increasing the maximum refund amount from \$10,000 to \$30,000 and removing the current production eligibility threshold of 30,000 litres of beer, with effect from 1 July 2012. The amendments will allow breweries to receive an excise refund of 60 per cent of excise paid, up to a maximum amount of \$30,000 per financial year. They will also ensure that the refund does not penalise successful local breweries as they expand their production.

This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$10.0 million over the forward estimates period.

### Fringe benefits tax — further reform of living-away-from-home allowances and benefits

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	50.0	217.0	353.0	399.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	2.9	2.8	2.4	0.6
Department of the Treasury	-	-	2.0	3.0	4.0
<b>Total — Expense</b>	-	2.9	4.8	5.4	4.6

The Government will further reform the tax concession for living-away-from-home allowances and benefits by better targeting it at people who are legitimately maintaining a second home in addition to their actual home for an initial period. This measure builds on the reforms announced in the 2011-12 MYEFO measure *Fringe benefits tax – reform of living-away-from-home allowances and benefits* by:

- limiting access to the tax concession to employees who maintain a home for their own use in Australia, that they are living away from for work; and
- providing the tax concession for a maximum period of 12 months in respect of an individual employee for any particular work location.

These further reforms will stop employers from being able to give the tax concession to employees who aren't maintaining a second home, or are maintaining two homes indefinitely.

This measure will not affect:

- the tax concession for ‘fly-in fly-out’ arrangements, as these employees will not be subject to the 12 month time limit; or
- the tax treatment of travel and meal allowances, which are provided to employees who have to travel away from their usual place of work for short periods (generally up to 21 days).

The reforms will apply from 1 July 2012 for arrangements entered into after 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012, and from 1 July 2014 for arrangements entered into prior to that time.

The Government will consult with tax experts and employers on the technical detail of the legislation.

The measure will provide savings to the Budget of \$1,001.3 million over the forward estimates period, including an increase in GST payments to the States and Territories of \$9.0 million.

This measure further progresses a recommendation of the *Australia’s Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government’s growing record of tax reform.

### **Fringe benefits tax — reform of airline transport fringe benefits**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	..	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	..	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

The Government will update the method of determining the taxable value of airline transport fringe benefits from stand-by value to market value. This measure will apply to benefits provided after 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012. This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$12.0 million over the forward estimates period. The measure is also estimated to increase GST payments to the States and Territories by \$4.0 million over the same period.

An airline transport fringe benefit may arise when an employee of an airline or travel agent is provided with free or discounted travel on a stand-by basis. The taxable value of airline transport fringe benefits is currently the stand-by value of the benefit less the employee contribution. This method was developed when stand-by travel was a feature of commercial airline pricing and staff could be displaced from a flight up to the time of boarding. The concept of stand-by travel, however, is no longer commercially relevant as airlines now use discounted pricing to optimise passenger levels.

This reform progresses another recommendation of the *Australia’s Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government’s growing record of tax reform.

**GST — compliance program — two year extension**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	464.3	521.9
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	97.2	98.1
<b>Total — Revenue</b>	-	-	-	561.5	620.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	235.7	318.4
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-	97.2	98.1
<b>Total — Expense</b>	-	-	-	332.9	416.5

The Government will provide \$195.3 million to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) in 2014-15 and 2015-16 to continue a range of activities that promote voluntary GST compliance and provide a level playing field for Australian businesses. This extends a 2010-11 Budget measure by a further two years. Arrangements for funding these activities will be settled with the States and Territories in accordance with the GST Administration Performance Agreement.

The measure will ensure that issues relating to fraudulent GST refunds, systematic under-reporting of GST liabilities, failure to lodge GST returns and outstanding GST debts continue to be closely examined by the ATO.

This measure is estimated to increase tax revenue by \$986.2 million over the forward estimates period. In underlying cash terms, the estimated increase in receipts is \$880.9 million, including a GST component of \$554.1 million that will be paid to the States and Territories.

**GST — Government response to Board of Taxation report: GST cross-border transactions — minor changes**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	*	-	-	-

The Government will amend the 2010-11 Budget measure implementing the recommendations of the Board of Taxation from its *Review of the application of GST to cross-border transactions*. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small revenue impact and an unquantifiable but small impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.



The package, originally announced to take effect from 1 July 2012, will now have a date of effect from the first quarterly tax period following Royal Assent of the enabling legislation. In addition, following consultation on the design and implementation of the announced measure, the Government will make a number of other changes including to those proposed for the supply of goods by non-residents and not proceeding with changes relating to the non-resident agency provisions.

To ensure the integrity of the originally announced measures, the Government will also clarify and narrow the definition of permanent establishment for GST purposes.

### **GST — GST-free health supplies — minor changes**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will further amend its 2011-12 Budget measure to ensure that a health supply by a health care provider paid for by a statutory compensation scheme operator is GST-free if the underlying supply from the health care provider to the individual is also GST-free. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact and no impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

### **GST — GST-free nicotine replacement therapy**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government has broadened the range of nicotine replacement therapies that are granted GST-free status through a Ministerial Determination, with effect from 31 December 2011. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact and no impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

Nicotine replacement therapies listed in a Ministerial Determination and other drugs and medicinal preparations that are restricted to sale by pharmacists and by others permitted under law are GST-free. From 1 January 2012, additional types of nicotine replacement therapies were permitted to be sold in non-pharmacy settings, which would have unintentionally made their sale subject to GST. This measure ensures that all types of nicotine replacement therapies approved for sale in Australia continue to be GST-free to consumers.

**GST — limiting the Commissioner of Taxation's ability to backdate GST registrations**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	*	*	*	*

As part of the introduction of self assessment for indirect taxes, the Government has amended the GST law to limit the Commissioner of Taxation's ability to backdate a taxpayer's GST registration to four years, with effect from 1 July 2012. The four year period is consistent with other time periods in the GST administration regime and provides taxpayers with more certainty. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small cost to revenue and an unquantifiable but small impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

**GST — reduced input tax credits for credit unions**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	..	..	..	..	..
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	..	..	..	..	..

The Government will amend the GST law to restore access to a reduced input tax credit (RITC) for credit unions who rebrand as 'banks', with effect from 1 July 2011. This measure is estimated to have a minimal cost to revenue and a minimal impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

This measure will reinstate the existing concession by allowing a RITC for acquisitions from an entity wholly owned by credit unions or rebranded credit unions by a credit union or rebranded credit union.

The measure will apply to entities who were approved credit unions by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority as at 1 July 2011 and subsequently change their branding to include the title 'bank', but otherwise do not change their corporate structure.

**GST — sale of a corporation's property by a mortgagee or chargee**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will revise its 2011-12 Budget measure to amend the GST law in relation to the mortgage lending sector to clarify its operation and reduce compliance costs. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact and no impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

This measure will ensure that the amendments to the GST law now apply:

- from the first quarterly tax period after Royal Assent; and
- to all circumstances where a representative of an incapacitated entity is a creditor of that incapacitated entity, and the representative makes a supply of the incapacitated entity's property in satisfaction of a debt that the incapacitated entity owes to the representative.

**GST — treatment of appropriations — minor change**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will extend the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12* measure to clarify the GST treatment of payments under an appropriation, with effect from 1 July 2012. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact and no impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

This measure will provide a regulation making power in the GST law to prescribe that certain payments between government related entities are not subject to GST.

**Income tax — ensuring the effective operation of the general anti-avoidance rule**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will amend the income tax general anti-avoidance rule (Part IVA) to ensure that it continues to be effective in countering tax avoidance schemes, with effect from 2 March 2012. As this measure confirms the existing operation of the law, it is not expected to have a revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

For Part IVA to apply there must be a scheme, a 'tax benefit' obtained in connection with that scheme and it must be reasonable to conclude that a person entered into the scheme for the 'sole or dominant purpose' of enabling a taxpayer to obtain the 'tax benefit'.

This measure will clarify the circumstances in which a taxpayer obtains a 'tax benefit' in connection with a scheme.

The measure will also clarify that Part IVA is intended to apply to steps within what are otherwise broader commercial arrangements, which have been implemented in a particular way so as to avoid tax.

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 March 2012 issued by the former Assistant Treasurer.

### **International tax — Australia-Bahrain tax information exchange agreement**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	..	..	..

The Government signed a tax information exchange agreement with Bahrain on 15 December 2011. The Agreement will enter into force once Australia and Bahrain have completed their respective domestic requirements. This measure is estimated to have a negligible revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

The Agreement allows for the full exchange of information in relation to Australia's federal taxes and Bahrain's taxes between the two countries.

Australia has now signed 33 tax information exchange agreements.

### **International tax — Australia-India tax protocol**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*

The Government signed a protocol to update Australia's tax treaty with India on 16 December 2011, which will enter into force once both countries advise that they have completed their domestic requirements. This measure is expected to have an ongoing unquantifiable but small revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

The measure will update certain rules for the taxation of business profits, enhance the framework for administrative cooperation in the exchange of information between tax authorities, allow tax authorities of each country to assist in the collection of tax debts owed to the other country, and provide new rules to prevent tax discrimination.

Further information was published by the Treasury on its website on 22 December 2011.

### **International tax — increase in managed investment trust final withholding tax rate**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	50.0	65.0	70.0	75.0

The Government will increase the managed investment trust final withholding tax rate from 7.5 per cent to 15 per cent, with effect from 1 July 2012. This measure will return the withholding tax for managed investment trusts to the level of the original 2007 election commitment. This measure is estimated to have a gain to revenue of \$260.0 million over the forward estimates period.

### **International tax — investment manager regime prospective arrangements**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	*	*	*	*	*

The Government will extend the previously announced conduit income measure to exempt foreign managed funds from tax on gains from the disposal of certain non-Australian assets and certain non-portfolio conduit income. These funds (and their non-resident investors) will also be exempt from Australian tax on Australian sourced income and gains from certain portfolio financial arrangements. This measure will have effect from 1 July 2011. This measure is estimated to have a small but unquantifiable cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

The measure will further enhance Australia as a financial services centre in the Asia-Pacific region.

Further information can be found in the press release of 16 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Financial Services and Superannuation.

### **International tax — removal of the capital gains tax discount for non-residents**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	5.0	20.0	30.0

The Government will remove the 50 per cent capital gains tax (CGT) discount for non-residents on capital gains accrued after 7.30 pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012. The CGT discount will remain available for capital gains accrued prior to this time where non-residents choose to obtain a market valuation of assets as at 8 May 2012. This measure is estimated to have a \$55.0 million gain to revenue over the forward estimates period.

**International tax — update to the list of countries that have effective exchange of information arrangements with Australia**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	..	..	..	..	..

The Government has updated the list of countries reported in the *Taxation Administration Regulations 1976* whose residents are eligible to access a reduced rate of withholding tax on certain distributions from Australian managed investment trusts, with effect from 1 January 2012. This measure is estimated to have a minimal cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

The reduced withholding tax rate is restricted to residents of countries with which Australia has effective exchange of information arrangements and which are listed in the Regulations. This requirement safeguards the integrity of the managed investment trust withholding tax system and signals Australia's commitment to using effective exchange of information to reduce opportunities for international tax evasion and avoidance. This measure updates the list to include Anguilla, Aruba, Belgium, Malaysia, and the Turks and Caicos Islands.

**Limited recourse debt — amended definition**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will clarify that limited recourse debt includes arrangements where the creditor's right to recover the debt is effectively limited to the financed asset or security provided. This measure will have effect from 7.30pm (AEST) on 8 May 2012. It is estimated to have no revenue impact but will protect a significant amount of revenue that would otherwise be at risk.

The measure will ensure that tax deductions are not available for capital expenditure on assets that have been financed by limited recourse debt, to the extent that the taxpayer is not effectively at risk for the expenditure and does not make an economic loss.

**Not-for-profit reforms — extending the start date for better targeting of not-for-profit tax concessions**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	*	*	*	*	*

The Government will extend the start date for the 2011-12 Budget measure *Not-for-profit sector reforms – better targeting of not-for-profit tax concessions* from 1 July 2011 to 1 July 2012. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

The extension of the start date will provide additional time for consultation and will reduce the uncertainty for those in the not-for-profit (NFP) sector who have commenced commercial activities since the 2011-12 Budget and may be affected by the measure.

The extended start date of 1 July 2012 will only apply to new unrelated commercial activities that commenced after 7.30 pm (AEST) on 10 May 2011. Existing unrelated commercial activities that commenced prior to that date will continue to be covered by transitional arrangements as announced in the 2011-12 Budget.

The measure as announced in the 2011-12 Budget is about ensuring that valuable tax concessions are utilised to directly further the purposes for which they were provided, rather than to support unrelated commercial activities operated by NFP entities.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 30 March 2012 issued by the Assistant Treasurer and the Minister for Social Inclusion.

### **Personal income tax — better targeting of the employment termination payment tax offset**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	20.0	20.0	50.0	55.0	60.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	<i>2.9</i>	<i>5.3</i>	<i>0.3</i>	<i>0.1</i>	<i>-</i>

The Government will make the taxation of employment income fairer. The employment termination payment (ETP) tax offset can currently be used to reduce tax payable on payments included in remuneration packages such as 'golden handshakes', among other things, which are not related to genuine hardship. This primarily benefits high income earners who are more likely to receive such payments and receive much larger payments when they do. To address this, the Government will limit the availability of the ETP offset.

From 1 July 2012, only that part of an affected ETP, such as a golden handshake, that takes a person's total annual taxable income (including the ETP) to no more than \$180,000 will receive the ETP tax offset. Amounts above this whole-of-income cap will be taxed at marginal rates. The whole-of-income cap will complement the existing ETP cap (\$175,000 in 2012-13, indexed) which ensures that the tax offset only applies to amounts up to the ETP cap. The ETP tax offset ensures that ETPs up to the ETP cap are taxed at a maximum tax rate of 15 per cent for those over preservation age and 30 per cent for those under preservation age.

Existing arrangements will be retained for certain ETPs relating to genuine redundancy (including to those aged 65 and over), invalidity, compensation due to an employment-related dispute and death.

This measure provides savings to the Budget of \$196.4 million over the forward estimates period.

This reform progresses another recommendation of the *Australia's Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government's growing record of tax reform.

### **Personal income tax — changes to tax rates for non-residents**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	19.3	22.2	22.2	25.2

The Government will adjust the personal income tax rates and thresholds that apply to non-residents' Australian income. This will ensure that they better align with the rates and thresholds that will apply to residents over the forward estimates. This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$88.9 million over the forward estimates period.

From 1 July 2012, the first two marginal tax rate thresholds will be merged into a single threshold. The marginal rate for this threshold will align with the second marginal tax rate for residents (32.5 per cent) and will apply to all taxable income below \$80,000. From 1 July 2015, the same marginal rate will again rise from 32.5 per cent to 33 per cent.

### **Personal income tax — changes to the net medical expenses tax offset**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	115.0	125.0	130.0

The Government will introduce a means test for the net medical expenses tax offset (NMETO) from 1 July 2012. For people with adjusted taxable income above the Medicare levy surcharge thresholds (\$84,000 for singles and \$168,000 for couples or families in 2012-13), the threshold above which a taxpayer may claim NMETO will be increased to \$5,000 (indexed annually thereafter) and the rate of reimbursement will be reduced to 10 per cent for eligible out of pocket expenses incurred. People with income below the surcharge thresholds will be unaffected. This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$370.0 million over the forward estimates period.



**Personal income tax — consolidate the dependency offsets into one**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	25.0	25.0	20.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	2.4	0.1	0.1	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	0.5	-	-	-

The Government will consolidate eight dependency tax offsets into a single, streamlined and non-refundable offset that is only available to taxpayers who maintain a dependant who is genuinely unable to work due to carer obligation or disability from 1 July 2012. This measure will provide savings to the Budget of \$66.9 million over the forward estimates period.

The offsets to be consolidated are the invalid spouse, carer spouse, housekeeper, housekeeper (with child), child-housekeeper, child-housekeeper (with child), invalid relative and parent/parent-in-law tax offsets.

The new consolidated offset will be based on the highest rate of the existing offsets it replaces, resulting in an increased entitlement for many of those eligible for this measure.

Taxpayers who are currently eligible to claim more than one offset amount in respect of multiple dependants who are genuinely unable to work will still be able to do so.

This reform implements another recommendation of the *Australia's Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government's growing record of tax reform.

**Personal income tax — do not proceed with 50 per cent tax discount for interest income**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	280.0	515.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Various Agencies	-	-7.3	-32.9	-43.2	-40.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-4.3	-	-

The Government will not proceed with the 2010-11 Budget measure *Stronger, fairer, simpler tax reform – 50 per cent discount for interest income* (as amended in the 2010-11 MYEFO and the 2011-12 MYEFO), which was due to commence on 1 July 2013.

The Government's public consultation process involving key sector groups, industry participants and consumer groups revealed concerns with the complexity involved in calculating the discount and its overall effectiveness. Based on this feedback from industry and stakeholders the Government has decided not to proceed with this measure.

This measure will provide savings to the Budget of \$923.5 million over the forward estimates period.

### Personal income tax — do not proceed with standard deduction

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	402.6	1,209.7
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Various Agencies</i>	-	-2.5	-80.8	-197.4	-190.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-11.1	-	-

The Government will not proceed with the 2010-11 Budget measure *Stronger, fairer, simpler tax reform – standard deduction for work-related expenses and the cost of managing tax affairs* (as amended in the 2011-12 MYEFO) which was due to commence on 1 July 2013.

The Government is pursuing other simplification measures such as tripling the tax free threshold to \$18,200 from 1 July 2012, taking up to one million people out of the tax system. The ATO is also continuing to make it easier for people to complete their tax return through improvements in pre-filing.

This measure will provide savings to the Budget of \$2,094.4 million over the forward estimates period.

### Personal income tax — exempting flood relief payments from income tax

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government has exempted from income tax ex-gratia payments to New Zealand non-protected special category visa holders affected by the floods that occurred in New South Wales and Queensland in early 2012. These ex-gratia payments are equivalent to the tax-exempt Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) and provide assistance to New Zealanders who would have been eligible for AGDRP, but for their visa status. This measure will have no revenue impact against the current forward estimates.

**Personal income tax — mature age worker tax offset phase out**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	40.0	85.0	130.0

The Government will phase out the mature age worker tax offset (MAWTO) from 1 July 2012 for taxpayers born on or after 1 July 1957. Access to the MAWTO will be maintained for taxpayers who are aged 55 years or older in 2011-12. This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$255.0 million over the forward estimates period.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities, including better targeted mature age employment initiatives to ensure mature aged workers have the greatest opportunity possible to secure and retain work if they wish.

See also the related expense measures *National Workforce Development Fund – additional support for mature age workers*, *Mature Age Participation – job seeker assistance* and the Economic Potential of Senior Australians package of measures.

This reform implements another recommendation of the *Australia's Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government's growing record of tax reform.

**Personal income tax — Medicare levy low income thresholds**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-50.0	-12.0	-12.0	-11.0

The Government will increase the Medicare levy low income thresholds to \$19,404 for individuals and \$32,743 for families for the 2011-12 income year, with effect from 1 July 2011. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$85.0 million over the forward estimates period.

The additional amount of threshold for each dependent child or student will also increase to \$3,007. The increase in these thresholds takes into account movements in the Consumer Price Index and ensures that low income families and individuals are not liable to pay the Medicare levy.

The Government will also increase the Medicare levy threshold for single pensioners below Age Pension age to \$30,451 for the 2011-12 income year, with effect from 1 July 2011. This increase will ensure that pensioners below Age Pension age do not pay the Medicare levy when they do not have an income tax liability.

### Philanthropy — updating the list of specifically listed deductible gift recipients

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1

Since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*, the following organisation has been approved as a deductible gift recipient (DGR):

- One Laptop Per Child Australia, from 1 July 2012 to 30 June 2016.

Taxpayers may claim an income tax deduction for certain gifts of money or property to DGRs. This measure has an estimated cost to revenue of \$0.2 million over the forward estimates period.

### Seasonal Labour Mobility Program — improved tax treatment

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-1.0	-1.3	-1.8	-2.4

The Government will reduce the marginal tax rate for non-resident individuals participating in the Seasonal Labour Mobility Program (the Program) to 15 per cent, administered as a final withholding tax, with effect from 1 July 2012. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$6.5 million over the forward estimates period.

This measure replaces the arrangements for the Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme, which concludes on 30 June 2012. This reform will significantly reduce compliance costs for seasonal workers participating in the Program and simplify administration for the Australian Taxation Office by removing the requirement to lodge a tax return. Participants will be taxed on all eligible income at a flat rate of 15 per cent. Participants will no longer be required to pay the Medicare levy.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 18 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Financial Services and Superannuation, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and the Minister for Resources and Energy and Minister for Tourism.

**Spreading the Benefits of the Boom — company loss carry-back**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-150.0	-250.0	-300.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	4.0	3.3	1.2	0.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	2.8	1.9	-	-

The Government will provide tax relief for companies by allowing them to carry-back tax losses so they receive a refund against tax previously paid. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$700.0 million over the forward estimates period. The Government will also provide the Australian Taxation Office with \$13.9 million to implement the measure.

A one year loss carry-back will apply in 2012-13, where tax losses incurred in that year can be carried back and offset against tax paid in 2011-12. For 2013-14 and later years, tax losses can be carried back and offset against tax paid up to two years earlier. Companies will be able to carry back up to \$1 million of losses each year. This will provide a cash benefit of up to \$300,000 a year.

It will be available to companies and entities that are taxed like companies. It will apply to their revenue losses only and will be subject to integrity rules, and limited to a company's franking account balance.

This measure is part of the Government's reforms to boost productivity by helping business invest, innovate and take sensible risks.

This measure will assist Australian businesses adjust to structural changes in the economy by improving their access to tax losses, which will help them invest and take advantage of future opportunities.

### Stronger Shipping for a Stronger Economy — minor amendments

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-2.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

The Government has announced minor amendments to the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12* measure implementing shipping industry reforms to further assist industry and ensure that implementation is consistent with the policy intent. These amendments include an increase in the rate of the seafarer refundable tax offset from 27 per cent to 30 per cent of gross payment amounts and make the payment apply on an annual basis. The loss wastage rule in respect of the income tax exemption was modified to ensure that the specific provisions would operate as intended.

This measure is estimated to result in a net cost of \$13.0 million over the forward estimates period.

This reform was announced jointly by the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport, and the Assistant Treasurer on 20 February 2012. These changes were included in the Tax Laws Amendment (Shipping Reform) Bill 2012 which was introduced into the House of Representatives on 22 March 2012.

### Superannuation — deferral of higher concessional contributions cap

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	580.0	730.0	130.0	-10.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-22.7	-15.0	0.5	7.7

The Government will defer the start date of the 2010-11 Budget measure *Stronger, fairer, simpler tax reform – increasing concessional contribution caps for individuals over 50 with low superannuation balances* by two years, from 1 July 2012 to 1 July 2014. Under the higher concessional contributions cap measure, individuals aged 50 and over with superannuation balances below \$500,000 will be able to make up to \$25,000 more in concessional contributions than allowed under the general concessional contributions cap.

The two-year deferral means that for 2012-13 and 2013-14, all individuals will be able to make concessional contributions of up to \$25,000 per year as permitted under the general concessional contributions cap. In 2014-15, the general cap is likely to increase to \$30,000 through indexation, and the higher cap would then commence at \$55,000.

In consultations on the implementation of the higher cap, the superannuation industry raised concerns in relation to the cost and complexity involved in administering the balance limit. Deferring the start date of the higher cap to 1 July 2014 will bring significant synergies and efficiencies, as it will allow implementation to occur in conjunction with changes to superannuation fund reporting and systems that will be occurring under the SuperStream reforms.

Deferring the start date of the higher concessional contributions cap will provide savings to the Budget of \$1,459.5 million over the forward estimates period.

### **Superannuation — reduction of higher tax concession for contributions of very high income earners**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	200.0	355.0	475.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	13.9	23.9	23.0	19.1
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	1.8	1.8	-	-

The Government will make the superannuation system fairer by reducing the tax concession which very high income earners receive on their concessional contributions, so it is more in line with the concession received by average income earners.

Currently, the 15 per cent flat tax on concessional contributions provides high income earners with a significantly larger tax concession than those on lower marginal tax rates. From 1 July 2012, individuals with income greater than \$300,000 will have the tax concession on their contributions reduced from 30 per cent to 15 per cent (excluding the Medicare levy).

The definition of 'income' for the purpose of this measure includes concessional superannuation contributions. If an individual's income excluding their concessional contributions is less than the \$300,000 threshold, but the inclusion of their concessional contributions pushes them over the threshold, the reduced tax concession will only apply to the part of the contributions that is in excess of the threshold. 'Concessional contributions' for the purpose of the measure includes notional employer contributions for members of defined benefit funds.

The reduced tax concession will not apply to concessional contributions which exceed the concessional contributions cap and are therefore subject to 'excess contributions tax'. These contributions are effectively taxed at the top marginal tax rate and therefore do not receive a tax concession.

Treasury will consult with the superannuation industry and other relevant stakeholders on further design and implementation details.

This measure will provide savings to the Budget of \$946.5 million over the forward estimates. It is estimated that it will affect around 128,000 people in 2012-13, or 1.2 per cent of people contributing to superannuation.

**Tax administration — restore Commissioner’s ability to delay paying a refund**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will restore the Commissioner of Taxation’s previous administrative practice of retaining certain refunds for verification prior to payment, with effect from the date of Royal Assent of the enabling legislation. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact and no impact on GST payments to the States and Territories over the forward estimates period.

This measure will give the Commissioner time to check the validity of a refund claim, and is necessary to protect the integrity of the tax refund system.

**Tax Breaks for Green Buildings — closure**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	10.0	100.0	280.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency</i>	-0.8	-4.2	-4.2	-4.0	-2.0

The Government will not proceed with the Tax Breaks for Green Buildings program. The program would have driven significantly higher cost abatement than that delivered by the carbon price. This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$390.0 million over the forward estimates period. Funding for the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency will also be reduced by \$15.2 million over five years from 2011-12.



## Tax compliance — maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	10.2	114.4	112.0	43.2
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Crime Commission</i>	-	1.6	2.1	1.9	-
<i>Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions</i>	-	0.6	3.7	3.7	-
<i>Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre</i>	-	0.5	1.0	1.0	-
<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>	-	0.1	0.5	0.5	-
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	29.7	18.3	-
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>	-	-	5.2	5.1	-
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	-	0.7	0.6	-
<i>Total — Expense</i>	-	2.8	42.9	31.1	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Crime Commission</i>	-	..	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$76.8 million over three years to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) and other Project Wickenby agencies to continue the Government's fight against tax evasion, avoidance and related crimes.

The Project Wickenby cross-agency task force was established in 2006 to protect the integrity of Australia's financial and regulatory systems by preventing people from promoting or participating in the abusive use of secrecy havens to avoid tax in Australia.

As at 29 February 2012, Project Wickenby has collected more than \$602 million of outstanding revenue, including:

- more than \$292.0 million in cash collections;
- more than \$10.0 million collected from return lodgements demanded;
- nearly \$308.0 million made from increased voluntary compliance following interventions by the Project Wickenby taskforce; and
- \$2.0 million in assets recovered by the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions under Commonwealth Proceeds of Crime provisions.

This measure will allow the Project Wickenby taskforce agencies to complete existing project work and transition the work to 'business as usual' activity by 30 June 2015.

This measure is estimated to increase revenue by \$279.8 million over the forward estimates period. In underlying cash terms, the estimated increase in receipts is \$210.1 million.

### **Tax compliance — managing tax debt in challenging times: a balanced and differentiated approach**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	104.5	135.6	99.8	51.5
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	37.6	30.3	27.1	11.0
<i>Total — Expense</i>	-	142.1	165.9	126.9	62.5

The Government will provide \$106.0 million over four years to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) to improve the management of outstanding taxation debts and superannuation guarantee charges.

This measure will allow the ATO to support a greater range of taxpayers in meeting their reporting and payment obligations through contacting them earlier and by providing more targeted assistance.

This measure is estimated to have a nil revenue impact in fiscal balance terms over four years as it relates to the collection of outstanding tax debts that have already been recognised as revenue. The measure will increase estimated cash receipts by \$1,125.0 million over the forward estimates period, including a GST component of \$391.4 million that will be paid to the States and Territories.

### **Tax laws — minor amendments**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	..	..	..	..

The Government will make minor amendments to the tax laws to correct technical defects, remove anomalies and address unintended outcomes in the tax legislation. This measure is estimated to have a minimal revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

The amendments will address minor issues identified with the Minerals Resource Rent Tax legislation, and will update an obsolete cross-reference in the tax laws.

### Taxation agent services regime — exemption for taxation advice in the context of financial advice

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	*	*

The Government has extended the financial advisers exemption from compliance with the *Tax Agent Services Act 2009* up until and including 30 June 2013. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

This extension will allow for the details of the regulatory model to be settled and help resolve implementation issues associated with bringing financial planners under the scope of the Tax Agent Services regime. The new regulatory model will focus on the principles of consumer protection and delivery of quality tax advice by financial advisers.

### Taxation of financial arrangements — foreign currency regulations — amendments

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	*	*	*	*	*

The Government will make minor technical amendments to the foreign currency provisions, so that the previously announced compliance cost savings measures operate appropriately. This measure is estimated to have an unquantifiable but small revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

### Temporary flood and cyclone reconstruction levy — further exemptions

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	*	-5.0	-	-	-

The Government will extend the exemptions for the temporary flood and cyclone reconstruction levy (the temporary flood levy) to include individuals who were eligible for an Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) in 2010-11 even if they did not apply for and receive the payment, as required under the existing exemptions. This component of the measure has a cost to revenue of \$5 million in 2012-13.

The Government will also extend the exemptions from the temporary flood levy to include those people who have been affected by a natural disaster in 2011-12. The classes of individuals to whom the extension apply are those who, in 2011-12:

- are eligible for an AGDRP for a disaster event;

- are directly affected by a Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) declared disaster and would have met the AGDRP criteria; or
- are a New Zealand non-protected special category visa holder who received an ex-gratia payment from the Australian Government in relation to a disaster that occurred.

This component of the measure has an unquantifiable cost to revenue over the forward estimates period, due to the fact that the 2011-12 income year is yet to come to a close.

The Government introduced the temporary flood levy for 2011-12 only to contribute towards rebuilding costs following the natural disasters that affected Australia in 2010-11. Further information is available in the 2011-12 Budget measure *Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding – Temporary flood and cyclone reconstruction levy*.

**Wine equalisation tax — protecting the integrity of the wine producer rebate**

Revenue (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

The Government will amend the wine producer rebate to ensure that wine producers will not be able to claim multiple rebates for the same quantity of wine, beyond the total amount of wine equalisation tax payable. This measure will apply to assessable dealings from 1 July 2012 and is estimated to increase revenue by \$40.0 million over the forward estimates period.

This measure will protect the integrity of the rebate and address unintended policy outcomes arising where wine is subject to blending and/or further manufacture, which have been previously raised as concerns by the wine industry and the Australian National Audit Office.

See the related expense measure *Australian wine industry – support*.

## Part 2: Expense Measures

**Table 2: Expense measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup>**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY</b>					
	<i>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
77	Australian wine industry – support	-	1.4	1.1	-	-
77	Australian Year of the Farmer – contribution	-	-	-	-	-
267	Caring for our Country – continuation	-0.3	-2.5	-	-	-
9	Changes to agricultural production levies(b)	-0.1	1.0	1.6	3.1	3.2
77	Climate Change Adjustment Program (Transitional Income Support) – redirection	-	-	-	-	-
	Drought Assistance					
78	– additional funding for Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grants	-	-	-	-	-
78	– Transitional Farm Family Payment – extension	-	12.0	7.7	-	-
79	Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations – reduced funding	-2.9	-	-	-	-
	Reforming Australia’s Biosecurity System					
79	– maintaining core biosecurity operations	-	38.2	38.6	32.6	31.0
295	– new Post-Entry Quarantine facility(c)	-	5.6	6.0	9.4	9.5
80	Western Australia Drought Pilot – additional funding for Farm Family Support	1.7	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>54.9</b>	<b>45.0</b>	<b>43.7</b>
	<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL’S</b>					
	<i>Attorney-General’s Department</i>					
282	Anzac Centenary Program 2014-18	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
10	Court fee increases(b)	-	-	-	-	-
84	Document Verification Service – extension to the private sector	-	-	1.7	2.1	2.3
85	Indigenous Law and Justice Programs – redirection of funding	-	-6.5	-5.7	-5.8	-5.9
254	National Disaster Recovery Taskforce – extension	-	-	1.0	-	-
	Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding					
88	– assistance to Toowoomba City Council	-	-	-	-	-
88	– donation to Queensland flood appeal	-	-	-	-	-
88	– New Zealand Special Category Visa Holders Ex-Gratia Payments	-	-	-	-	-
90	Official development assistance – Pacific Police Development Program – continuation	-	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.3

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	<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S (continued)</b>					
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	1.1	1.1	0.9	-	-
149	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory – community safety and justice	-	30.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	0.1	0.5	0.5	-
	<i>Various Agencies</i>					
10	Court fee increases(b)	-	1.7	0.9	0.9	0.9
	<i>Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity</i>					
81	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity – resource transfer	-	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
	<i>Australian Crime Commission</i>					
149	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory – community safety and justice	-	2.6	nfp	nfp	nfp
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	1.6	2.1	1.9	-
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
81	Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity – resource transfer	-	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
81	– Increased use of SmartGate capability	-	-3.3	-5.2	-5.4	-5.9
81	– Long Term Ashmore Reef Capability	-	0.5	4.2	7.6	7.5
85	Illegal Foreign Fishing in Northern Waters – efficiencies	-	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5
86	Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability – share arrangement for Southern Ocean surveillance	-	-	-	6.4	6.5
	<i>Australian Federal Police</i>					
	<i>Australian Federal Police</i>					
82	– International Deployment Group – efficiencies	-	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1
82	– slowing recruitment of additional sworn officers	-	-12.5	-5.7	-7.8	-
82	– continued deployment to the United Nations Mission in Cyprus	-	0.9	-	-	-
83	– forensic facility	-	-0.1	-0.1	..	-
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan – an integrated whole-of- government approach – continuation	-	25.2	25.7	-	-
	<i>Official development assistance</i>					
89	– extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste	-	3.4	-	-	-
90	– Pacific Police Development Program – continuation	-	21.4	21.5	22.3	23.2

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	<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S (continued)</b>					
149	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory – community safety and justice	-	0.7	nfp	nfp	nfp
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	-	5.2	5.1	-
	<i>Australian Human Rights Commission</i>					
85	Economic Potential of Senior Australians – countering negative stereotypes and promoting positive media portrayal of older Australians	-	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.4
86	National Children's Commissioner – establishment	-	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
	<i>Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre</i>					
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	0.5	1.0	1.0	-
	<i>Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions</i>					
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	0.6	3.7	3.7	-
83	Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions – additional funding	-	8.8	-	-	-
	<i>CrimTrac Agency</i>					
84	CrimTrac – Ceasing Interest Equivalency Payments	-	-4.6	-4.6	-4.6	-4.6
	<i>Federal Court of Australia</i>					
87	National Native Title Tribunal reform – increased efficiencies	-	19.7	19.4	19.5	19.7
	<i>Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia</i>					
83	Confiscated Assets Account – deferral of expenditure	-	-13.5	-13.5	-13.5	-17.8
	<i>National Native Title Tribunal</i>					
87	National Native Title Tribunal reform – increased efficiencies	-	-24.4	-24.1	-24.2	-24.4
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>53.5</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>9.8</b>	<b>1.7</b>
	<b>BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY</b>					
	<i>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</i>					
91	Audio description services – trial	1.5	-	-	-	-
91	Australian Broadcasting Corporation – regional radio services	-	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
92	Digital Productivity – Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Digital Classroom – National Online Education Portal	-	-	-	-	-

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	<b>BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY (continued)</b>					
94	Digital Television Switchover – spectrum restacking	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
97	Spectrum – support for clearance of the 2.5 GHz band	-	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
	<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>					
94	Digital Television Switchover – spectrum restacking	-	-	2.1	1.1	-
	<i>Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy</i>					
93	Digital Productivity – putting museums online for public access	-	-	-	-	-
94	Digital Television Switchover – spectrum restacking	16.5	39.7	43.9	10.7	-
	National Broadband Network					
95	– regional and remote information	20.0	-	-	-	-
95	– support for NBN Co-Telstra Definitive Agreements	-	-	-	-	-
97	Spectrum – support for clearance of the 2.5 GHz band	-	15.2	23.2	1.5	-
97	Terrestrial Equalisation: Additional Services Assistance Plan – rationalisation	-2.1	-	-	-	-
	<i>Special Broadcasting Service Corporation</i>					
94	Digital Television Switchover – spectrum restacking	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	Special Broadcasting Service Corporation					
96	– additional funding	-	13.4	21.2	26.3	26.2
96	– free-to-air Indigenous television service	-	12.3	15.6	15.9	16.3
	<i>Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency</i>					
98	Untimed Local Calls in the Extended Zones – continuation	-	1.5	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>83.2</b>	<b>106.9</b>	<b>56.6</b>	<b>43.6</b>
	<b>CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY</b>					
	<i>Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency</i>					
99	Building energy efficiency – additional funding	-	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6
99	Climate Change Adaptation Program – extension	-	3.0	-	-	-
100	National Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Program – establishment	-	4.1	16.0	17.3	17.6
42	Tax Breaks for Green Buildings – closure(b)	-0.8	-4.2	-4.2	-4.0	-2.0
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-0.8</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>14.1</b>	<b>16.2</b>



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	<b>CROSS PORTFOLIO</b>					
	<i>Various Agencies</i>					
101	Australian Intelligence Community – reprioritisation	-	-20.4	-20.4	-20.4	-20.4
114	Liquid assets waiting period – amendment	-	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0
	Personal income tax					
35	– do not proceed with 50 per cent tax discount for interest income(b)	-	-7.3	-32.9	-43.2	-40.8
36	– do not proceed with standard deduction(b)	-	-2.5	-80.8	-197.4	-190.3
146	Replacing the Education Tax Refund with a Schoolkids Bonus	3.8	10.7	9.8	9.7	10.1
128	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom – new income support supplement	-	39.3	67.7	68.8	70.4
302	Whole-of-Government Parliamentary Workflow Solution(c)	-	-	-	-	-10.3
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>22.8</b>	<b>-54.6</b>	<b>-180.7</b>	<b>-179.4</b>
	<b>DEFENCE</b>					
	<i>Department of Defence</i>					
102	Afghanistan – enhanced detainee management framework	-	-	-	-	-
102	Coastal Surveillance – continuation of Operation Resolute	-	-	-	-	-
298	Defence – efficiencies and reprogramming(c)	-	-96.6	-162.6	-113.7	-170.4
103	Middle East Area of Operations – continuation of Australia’s military contribution	-	911.5	212.3	131.5	50.0
284	Review of Military Compensation Arrangements – Government response	-	-	1.2	1.2	1.2
104	Solomon Islands – continued Australian Defence Force assistance to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands	-	43.1	1.4	1.1	-
104	Timor-Leste – continuation of Australia’s commitment to helping to maintain security and stability	-	78.4	-0.1	0.6	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>936.4</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>-119.2</b>
	<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS</b>					
	<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>					
106	Adjustment to the HECS-HELP Benefit for Early Childhood Education Teachers	-	-	-	-	-
107	Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority – additional funding	-	6.2	5.1	3.0	2.7

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Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS (continued)</b>					
107	Automotive Industry Structural Adjustment Package – Labour Market Element – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
108	BackTrack – contribution	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	-
108	Bribie Island Youth Camp Facilities – one-off grant	1.9	-	-	-	-
109	Building Australia's Future Workforce – changes to ABSTUDY eligibility	-	-0.7	-1.3	-1.4	-1.4
135	Cape York Welfare Reform Trial – extension	-	1.0	1.0	-	-
109	Clontarf Foundation and Engagement Strategies for Indigenous students	-	1.9	2.0	0.9	-
135	Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program – continuation of grandfathered wage arrangements	-1.4	-38.8	-36.3	-35.3	-35.3
92	Digital Productivity – Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Digital Classroom – National Online Education Portal	-	-	-	-	-
	Economic Potential of Senior Australians					
110	– employment assistance	-	5.3	6.6	9.0	8.5
111	– 'Experience+ Training', 'On-the-Job Support' and 'Job Transition Support' programs – cessation	-	-8.5	-7.9	-	-
111	Employment Services Arrangements – Job Placement Fee – changes to activity requirements and arrangements	-	-40.8	-42.3	-40.6	-38.8
139	Family Tax Benefit Part A – change to age of eligibility	-	1.2	2.7	2.5	2.6
	Fraud prevention and compliance					
209	– increase in compliance review activity	-	-26.0	-26.1	-13.1	-
211	– increased recovery of high value non- current customer debt	-	-	-	-	-
212	– new compliance data sources	-	-6.9	-13.8	-13.9	-14.0
112	Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters	-	10.0	13.6	16.3	15.8
113	Job Services Australia Outcome Payments – simplification	-	-7.3	-12.0	-12.6	-12.4
113	Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance Program – introduction of a package of reforms	-	33.6	37.1	61.7	85.2
114	Liquid assets waiting period – amendment	-	-	12.0	12.0	12.0
230	Mathematics and science – increasing participation in schools and universities	-2.0	0.6	4.7	4.7	4.5
115	Mature Age Participation – job seeker assistance	-	1.9	5.4	7.7	10.7

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Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS (continued)</b>					
141	Means test exemptions for the Western Australian Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme – extension	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
115	National Career Development Strategy under the National Partnership Agreement on Youth Attainment and Transitions – cessation	-5.8	-7.6	-3.7	-	-
116	Parenting Payment – changed eligibility for 1 July 2006 grandfathered recipients	-	-128.9	-207.8	-161.0	-227.0
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments	-	-0.9	-1.9	-2.0	-2.0
117	Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Essay Competition – establishment	-	-	-	-	-
118	Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment	-	6.3	116.2	108.2	162.7
119	Review of Funding for Schooling – additional work	-	5.1	0.7	-	-
147	School Enrolment and Attendance in Queensland – continuation	-	0.3	0.8	-	-
	Schools					
120	– Australian Baccalaureate – postpone development	-	-	-2.2	-4.5	-1.9
120	– Digital Education Revolution – project pool – redirection	-24.4	-	-	-	-
121	– National Rewards for Great Teachers – amendment	-	-	-	-	-
121	– National Trade Cadetships – postponement	-3.1	-9.4	-	-	-
122	– One Laptop per Child Australia	11.7	-	-	-	-
122	– Reward Payments for School Improvement – reduction	-	-	-	-4.4	-8.9
123	– Student Resilience and Wellbeing Program – establishment	-1.3	-2.1	-2.4	-4.4	-
123	– Supporting implementation of the More Support for Students with Disabilities Initiative	-0.5	-0.3	..	-	-
124	– Teach Next Program changes	-2.1	..	..	-	-
125	– Teach Remote – Stage Two	-	3.3	5.7	5.3	-
126	Seasonal Labour Mobility Program with Pacific Island Countries and East Timor – establishment	-	1.5	1.1	1.6	1.8
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	0.6	0.6	0.5	-	-
128	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom – new income support supplement	-	113.2	230.8	236.4	242.1

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<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS (continued)</b>					
Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory					
128	-	-0.5	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0
129	-	17.6	nfp	nfp	nfp
130	-				
130	-	-8.0	-16.1	-16.1	-16.1
130	-	-1.5	-3.1	-3.1	-3.1
131	-	2.7	nfp	nfp	nfp
131	-	-0.9	-3.0	-7.2	-11.6
132	-	-6.0	-7.1	-7.2	-7.4
132	-	9.2	nfp	nfp	nfp
156	-	-	-	-	-
302	0.2	1.2	1.0	0.4	-
<i>Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate</i>					
116	-	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0
<i>Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman</i>					
110	-	-	-	-	-
126	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-26.0</b>	<b>-75.1</b>	<b>56.5</b>	<b>139.8</b>	<b>165.4</b>
<b>FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS</b>					
<i>Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs</i>					
134	-	10.3	13.3	16.6	19.4
134	-	0.6	-3.6	-19.5	-32.6
135	-	3.7	3.7	-	-
135	..	9.6	40.4	38.9	38.7
136	-	-2.0	-	-	-

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	<b>FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS (continued)</b>					
137	Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians – community support	-	-	-	-	-
138	Cultural Horsemanship Program for Indigenous Youth	-	-	-	-	-
138	Digital Productivity – remote hearing and vision services for children – additional funding	-	-	-	-	-
139	Family Tax Benefit Part A – change to age of eligibility	-	-56.8	-112.1	-112.9	-114.9
	Fraud prevention and compliance					
209	– accelerated real estate review cycle	-	-2.3	-17.5	-20.5	-21.3
209	– increase in compliance review activity	-	-25.9	-30.5	-19.0	-3.7
210	– increased compliance for international risk	-	-26.1	-29.9	-25.3	-19.1
211	– increased recovery of high value non-current customer debt	-	-	-	-	-
212	– new compliance data sources	-	-1.8	-4.5	-5.5	-5.5
139	Glen Innes Open Door Youth Centre – contribution	0.1	-	-	-	-
140	Household Assistance Package – information	14.0	22.1	-	-	-
140	Income Management – extension	-	6.0	-	-	-
141	Julia Creek, Queensland – seniors housing and community services	4.7	-	-	-	-
187	Living Longer. Living Better – residential care	-	-	-	9.2	25.6
141	Means test exemptions for the Western Australian Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme – extension	-	5.6	5.7	5.9	6.1
214	Migration Health Requirement – reforms	-	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4
141	Municipal and Essential Services – extension	-	43.4	-	-	-
86	National Children's Commissioner – establishment	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
142	National Disability Insurance Scheme – First Stage	-	58.5	139.2	281.3	331.0
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments	-	-15.7	-34.0	-35.9	-37.7
	Remote Jobs and Communities Program					
118	– establishment	-	-	-190.8	-194.9	-198.6
145	– establishment of the Community Development Fund	-	-	38.7	48.8	50.0
146	Replacing the Education Tax Refund with a Schoolkids Bonus	1,324.1	1,264.0	1,218.0	1,249.5	1,284.3

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	<b>FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS (continued)</b>					
147	School Enrolment and Attendance in Queensland – continuation	-	0.2	0.2	-	-
147	Services and Support for People with Disability program – Job Capacity Assessment efficiencies	-	-5.0	-	-	-
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	3.5	3.5	3.0	-	-
	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom					
148	– increasing the rate of Family Tax Benefit Part A	-	0.3	602.9	615.4	625.8
128	– new income support supplement	-	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory					
148	– child, youth, family and community wellbeing	-	15.5	nfp	nfp	nfp
149	– community safety and justice	-	0.8	nfp	nfp	nfp
150	– healthy homes	-	1.5	nfp	nfp	nfp
150	– improving Indigenous housing in the Northern Territory	-	-22.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
151	– municipal and essential services in the Northern Territory – extension	-	-20.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
152	– remote engagement and coordination	-	26.7	nfp	nfp	nfp
152	– tackling alcohol abuse	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	Tackling Problem Gambling					
153	– extra support for problem gamblers and their families	-	4.8	6.9	7.0	7.2
154	– trial of mandatory pre-commitment technology in the Australian Capital Territory	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
155	Tripling the tax free threshold – Family Tax Benefit and the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card	-	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1
156	Weekly income support payments to vulnerable Australians – expansion	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Indigenous Business Australia</i>					
137	Consolidation of the Indigenous Home Ownership Programs	-	31.7	6.7	6.5	6.9
	<i>Torres Strait Regional Authority</i>					
135	Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program – continuation of grandfathered wage arrangements	-	5.4	4.9	4.8	4.7
154	Torres Strait Major Infrastructure Program Stage 5	-	2.8	7.6	7.4	3.4
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>1,346.4</b>	<b>1,339.0</b>	<b>1,668.6</b>	<b>1,858.1</b>	<b>1,970.2</b>

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<b>FINANCE AND DEREGULATION</b>						
<i>Australian Electoral Commission</i>						
157	Australian Electoral Commission – additional funding	-	10.0	16.0	16.0	16.0
<i>Department of Finance and Deregulation</i>						
83	Australian Federal Police – forensic facility	-	0.1	0.1	..	-
157	Cox Peninsula remediation work – second pass business case	-	2.0	2.0	-	-
157	Deregulation agenda – additional funding	-	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8
158	Fire Service Levy – reduction	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
301	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney(c)	-	15.3	10.2	0.3	0.3
158	Malabar Headland – remediation work	-	2.0	6.0	-	-
241	Nation Building Program – Northern Territory road projects	-	-	-	-	-
Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System						
79	– maintaining core biosecurity operations	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
295	– new Post-Entry Quarantine facility(c)	-	-	-	-	5.8
272	Regional Marine Planning Program – continuation	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
118	Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment	-	0.1	-	-	-
158	Sydney Airport Corporation Limited stamp duty litigation – additional funding	7.4	-	-	-	-
302	Whole-of-Government Parliamentary Workflow Solution(c)	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>7.4</b>	<b>31.6</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>24.2</b>
<b>FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE</b>						
<i>AusAID</i>						
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan – an integrated whole-of-government approach – continuation	-	-30.7	-28.7	-	-
Official development assistance						
162	– African Development Bank Group membership	-	-	-	-	-
163	– Asian Development Fund replenishment	-	46.9	1.5	1.5	1.5
163	– An effective aid program for Australia	-	-	-	-	-
164	– Australia's development partnerships with the United Nations	-	-	-	-	102.3
164	– closing development gaps in East Asia	-	-	-	-	108.9
165	– deferring Australia's growth target	-	-447.2	-782.6	-823.6	-866.7
89	– extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste	-	-3.5	-	-	-
165	– Fiji increased assistance	-	-	-	-	-
166	– Government Partnerships for Development	-	-	0.7	20.7	20.7





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<b>HEALTH AND AGEING (continued)</b>					
	Dental health				
172	-	0.8	0.6	0.4	-
	- alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists				
173	-	14.4	51.0	47.3	45.9
	- increasing the capacity of the dental workforce				
174	-	0.5	5.0	5.0	-
	- national oral health promotion activities				
174	-	-	-	-	-
	- reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding				
175	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	-
	- supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services				
175	-	-	-	-	-
	Digital Productivity – Expansion of Telehealth Services through trials				
176	-	-9.4	-24.9	-29.1	-33.8
	Extended Medicare Safety Net – capping benefits including for items with excessive fees				
139	-	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.4
	Family Tax Benefit Part A – change to age of eligibility				
	Fraud prevention and compliance				
210	-	-6.1	-11.5	-3.1	-
	- increased billing assurance for the Medicare Benefits Schedule				
212	-	-	-	-	-
	- matching of Medicare Benefits Schedule and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme data				
	- termination of measure				
	4.5	6.7	7.8	8.8	9.9
176	-	18.2	-	-	-
	General Practice Rural Incentives Program – additional funding				
177	-	-2.7	-13.8	-13.8	-13.8
	GP Super Clinics program – streamlining				
177	-	-33.3	7.2	-11.3	-106.6
	Health and Hospitals Fund – 2011 Regional Priority Round				
178	-	-	-16.9	-17.9	-18.1
	Health workforce programs – program improvements				
178	-	-	-	-	-
	Hepatitis C Litigation Settlement Scheme – continuation				
179	-	-18.9	-18.8	-18.4	-19.3
	Indigenous health infrastructure – redirection of funding				
180	-	-	-	-	-
	International multilateral agencies – redirection of funding				
	-4.9	-	-	-	-
304	-	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2
	Latent Tuberculosis Infection Testing – revised purchasing arrangements(c)				
	Living Longer. Living Better				
180	-	1.6	98.8	207.1	332.6
	- addressing workforce pressures				
181	-	8.8	17.7	17.3	17.8
	- better health care connections				
182	-	24.4	25.3	8.5	8.3
	- building a system for the future				
183	-	1.1	8.1	10.5	9.4
	- consumer support and research				
184	-	-45.6	-228.5	-309.3	-366.3
	- improving the Aged Care Funding Instrument				
184	-	-8.6	-8.9	-116.4	-211.0
	- means testing				
185	-	6.0	14.5	17.0	19.1
	- older Australians from diverse backgrounds				

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<b>HEALTH AND AGEING (continued)</b>					
	Living Longer. Living Better				
187	-	20.4	23.7	111.3	148.3
188	-	1.5	25.7	102.0	121.5
189	-	7.3	12.2	11.5	11.8
190	-	-	-	-	-
190	-	14.8	30.7	28.6	29.3
	Medicare Benefits Schedule				
191	0.5	-4.5	-11.2	-13.2	-15.1
192	-	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
193	-	16.5	-	-	-
214	-	..	0.1	0.1	0.1
193	-	0.4	11.9	12.6	22.1
194	33.4	58.7	90.3	-	-
195	-	-0.4	-0.3	-	-
195	-	-7.7	-7.9	-8.2	-8.6
195	-	-18.1	-18.1	-18.3	-19.1
196	1.2	5.7	4.4	4.4	4.5
197	-	-	-	-	-
304	-	1.8	-	-	-
197	-9.3	10.2	-1.0	-	-
198	-	-	-	-	-
	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme				
199	nfp	nfp	-	-	-
199	-1.4	-9.0	1.3	23.8	49.5
200	-3.4	-24.8	-23.3	-24.0	-24.7
201	2.7	1.0	-	-	-
201	-	-3.2	-31.0	-26.5	-24.9
202	-	1.0	nfp	nfp	nfp

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	<b>HEALTH AND AGEING (continued)</b>					
202	Private Health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit – establishment	-	-	-	-	-
203	Prostheses List – removal of joint replacement prostheses with unacceptably high revision rates	-	0.1	-1.7	-1.9	-2.1
79	Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System – maintaining core biosecurity operations	-	-	-	-	-
203	Review of Food Labelling Law and Policy – implementation of recommendations	-	2.7	0.9	0.2	..
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	2.3	2.3	2.0	-	-
204	Stoma Appliance Scheme – improved program management and access to products	-	-0.9	-2.5	-4.5	-6.4
205	Streamlining and Enhancing Lead Clinicians Groups	-14.5	-11.6	-11.6	-11.6	-11.6
205	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory – Health	-	49.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
206	Telehealth – redirection of funding	-	-3.7	-29.5	-74.1	-76.3
207	Therapeutic goods – strengthening codes of conduct and transparency in industry promotion of therapeutic goods	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4
	Tobacco plain packaging					
207	– compliance	-	3.1	-	-	-
207	– litigation	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	<i>Health Workforce Australia</i>					
176	General Practice Rural Incentives Program – additional funding	-	-18.2	-	-	-
178	Health workforce programs – program improvements	-	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0
	<i>National Blood Authority</i>					
171	Blood and blood products – appropriate and efficient use	-	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
	<i>Private Health Insurance Administration Council</i>					
202	Private health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit – establishment	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
	<i>Private Health Insurance Ombudsman</i>					
179	Increased funding for the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-4.5</b>	<b>48.8</b>	<b>-31.1</b>	<b>-94.5</b>	<b>-136.4</b>
	<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>					
	<i>Department of Human Services</i>					
134	Australian Working Life Residency – strengthening requirements	-	0.5	2.6	0.6	0.6
109	Building Australia's Future Workforce – changes to ABSTUDY eligibility	0.6	0.2	-	-	-

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<b>HUMAN SERVICES (continued)</b>						
208	Call Centre Supplementation – continuation	-	50.9	51.3	51.7	52.2
135	Cape York Welfare Reform Trial – extension	-	1.2	1.2	-	-
135	Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program – continuation of grandfathered wage arrangements	0.1	-1.7	-1.5	-1.4	-1.4
208	Digital Productivity – leveraging the National Broadband Network infrastructure to enhance service delivery through video conferencing	-	-	-	-	-
78	Drought Assistance – Transitional Farm Family Payment – extension	0.3	1.5	1.4	-	-
176	Extended Medicare Safety Net – capping benefits including for items with excessive fees	..	0.8	-	-	-
139	Family Tax Benefit Part A – change to age of eligibility	-	6.3	1.1	1.0	1.1
	Fraud prevention and compliance					
209	– accelerated real estate review cycle	-	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.6
209	– increase in compliance review activity	-	16.2	16.3	8.2	-
210	– increased billing assurance for the Medicare Benefits Schedule	-	3.3	3.1	1.2	-
210	– increased compliance for international risk	0.2	4.3	1.2	1.2	1.3
211	– increased recovery of high value non- current customer debt	-	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
212	– matching of Medicare Benefits Schedule and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme data – termination of measure	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9
212	– new compliance data sources	-	1.8	2.3	2.3	2.4
140	Income Management – extension	-	9.9	0.1	3.1	-
113	Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance Program – introduction of a package of reforms	0.5	5.8	0.6	0.5	0.5
	Living Longer. Living Better					
180	– addressing workforce pressures	-	0.2	0.1	..	..
184	– improving the Aged Care Funding Instrument	0.3	3.8	0.6	0.6	0.6
184	– means testing	-	20.4	21.7	17.9	17.3
187	– residential care	..	0.1	1.1	1.5	1.4
188	– staying at home	0.1	1.0	0.8	1.6	1.7
190	– tackling dementia	-	0.7	-	..	-
191	Medicare Benefits Schedule – new and revised listings	..	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.2
193	Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program – additional funding	0.4	0.6	-	-	-
194	National e-Health Program – continuation	-	15.2	28.2	-	-
196	National Health Reform Agreement – establishment of the Administrator and the National Health Funding Body	1.9	3.9	3.6	1.9	2.0

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<b>HUMAN SERVICES (continued)</b>						
197	National Mental Health Reform – Better Access Initiative – continuation	0.1	0.1	-	-	-
116	Parenting Payment – changed eligibility for 1 July 2006 grandfathered recipients	..	32.0	3.1	1.7	2.1
199	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme – new and amended listings	..	..	..	..	..
201	Poly Implant Prothèse breast implants – Medicare rebates	..	..	-	-	-
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments	-	3.8	1.4	1.4	1.4
201	Practice Incentives Program (PIP) – more effective targeting	-	2.1	0.1	-	-
118	Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment	-	3.0	-5.2	-5.5	-5.5
147	School Enrolment and Attendance in Queensland – continuation	-	0.6	0.7	-	-
132	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory – School Nutrition Program – continuation of funding arrangements	-	0.3	nfp	nfp	nfp
206	Telehealth – redirection of funding	0.1	0.8	0.3	..	-
155	Tripling the tax free threshold – Family Tax Benefit and the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card	1.4	5.8	7.3	4.5	3.9
156	Weekly income support payments to vulnerable Australians – expansion	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>5.2</b>	<b>198.6</b>	<b>147.8</b>	<b>98.1</b>	<b>85.5</b>
<b>IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP</b>						
<i>Department of Immigration and Citizenship</i>						
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan – an integrated whole-of-government approach – continuation	-	3.0	3.1	-	-
213	Border Security – Combating people smuggling – enhanced capacity	-	5.0	-	-	-
213	Humanitarian Settlement Services – bridging visa stream	-	-3.6	-2.9	-2.7	-4.0
214	Migration Health Requirement – reforms	-	0.3	0.7	1.0	1.4
214	Migration Program – allocation of places for 2012-13	-	5.7	8.7	10.3	11.1
215	Permanent Employer Sponsored Program – reforms	-	-	-	-	-
215	Reintegration assistance program – continuation	-	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.2
126	Seasonal Labour Mobility Program with Pacific Island Countries and East Timor – establishment	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-

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	<b>IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP (continued)</b>					
216	Streamlining protection visa processes	-	-8.6	-	-	-
216	Unaccompanied humanitarian minors – Supervision and welfare	-	12.2	8.1	-	-
217	Virtual English Tuition for Migrants	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal</i>					
216	Streamlining protection visa processes	-	5.6	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>19.7</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>10.9</b>
	<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION</b>					
	<i>Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies</i>					
220	Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies – digitisation of Indigenous cultural resources – continuation	-	3.2	3.2	-	-
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5
	<i>Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation</i>					
93	Digital Productivity – putting museums online for public access	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>					
106	Adjustment to the HECS-HELP Benefit for Early Childhood Education Teachers	0.4	0.7	1.1	1.9	3.2
218	Apprentice to business owner – business skills and mentoring program	-	3.0	5.5	5.5	5.5
218	Australian Apprenticeship Ambassadors Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program	-	-	-	-	-
219	– better targeting	-	-59.5	-99.8	-97.8	-96.6
219	– deferral of the standard employer commencement payment	-	-12.1	-12.1	-11.8	-11.7
305	Australian Apprenticeships Information Management System – establishment(c)	-	0.2	0.3	-	-
220	Australian Skills Centres of Excellence	-	0.1	6.0	6.0	6.0
222	Australian Small Business Commissioner – establishment	-	1.1	2.0	1.8	3.5
222	Automotive New Markets Initiative	-	-	-	-	-
223	Commonwealth Grant Scheme – Enabling Loading – increase	-	3.7	10.4	13.5	14.0
224	Commonwealth Supported Places and Higher Education Loan Program – change in eligibility for Australian citizens not residing in Australia	-	-1.5	-4.8	-8.6	-13.6
224	Community-Based Service Development Program – cessation	-	-3.9	-3.9	-3.9	-3.9

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<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION (continued)</b>					
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<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION (continued)</b>						
	National Workforce Development Fund					
234	– additional support for mature age workers	-	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
234	– redirect funding	-	-6.1	-6.0	-6.0	-
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments	-	-0.7	-1.4	-1.4	-1.4
124	Schools – Teach Next Program Changes	..	0.1	0.1	..	-
235	Small Business Advisory Services program – continuation	-	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9
280	Stronger Super – implementation of SuperStream reforms	0.3	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.4
235	The Prime Minister’s Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship – establishment	-	-	-	-	-
236	University of Western Sydney – Female Orphan School restoration – contribution	7.0	-	-	-	-
236	VET FEE-HELP Assistance Scheme – redesign	-	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2
237	Vocational Education and Training National Support – redirection of funding	-3.0	-14.9	-11.1	-4.1	-1.3
156	Weekly income support payments to vulnerable Australians – expansion	-	-	-	-	-
237	Workforce Innovation Program – redirection	-1.0	-4.9	-5.0	-6.1	-9.3
238	Zelman Cowen John Monash Scholarships – establishment	6.0	-	-	-	-
	<i>National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Australian Skills Quality Authority)</i>					
221	Australian Skills Quality Authority (National Vocational Education and Training Regulator) – additional funding	-	8.4	11.1	11.2	10.6
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>14.7</b>	<b>-154.2</b>	<b>-176.7</b>	<b>-83.9</b>	<b>-19.3</b>
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT</b>						
	<i>Australian Maritime Safety Authority</i>					
242	National Transport Regulatory reforms – implementation assistance	-	..	0.2	-	-
	<i>Department of Infrastructure and Transport</i>					
239	Building Australia Fund – Torrens and Goodwood Junctions rail project	-	-	-	-	-
301	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney(c)	-	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
	Nation Building					
239	– additional funding for the Pacific Highway	-	-	-	-	-
240	– Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
	Nation Building 2 Program					
240	– Black Spots program – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
240	– Roads to Recovery program – continuation	-	-	-	350.0	350.0



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	<b>INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT (continued)</b>					
	Nation Building Program					
241	– Northern Territory road projects	-	-	-	-	-
241	– redirection	-	-	-	-1.0	-1.0
242	National transport planning and the High Speed Rail Unit – additional funding	-	3.0	3.0	7.0	7.0
242	National Transport Regulatory reforms – implementation assistance	-6.6	-	-	-	-
243	Seatbelts on regional school buses – continuation	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
243	Securing the Air Cargo Supply Chain – revised implementation	-19.6	-	-	-	-
244	Temporary Assistance to Tasmanian exporters accessing international markets	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-26.2</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>357.4</b>	<b>357.4</b>
	<b>PARLIAMENT</b>					
	<i>Department of the House of Representatives</i>					
245	Support for the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit – Parliamentary Budget Office	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
	<i>Department of the Senate</i>					
245	Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>
	<b>PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET</b>					
	<i>Australian Public Service Commission</i>					
246	Australian Public Service Employment and Capability Strategy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employees – continuation	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	-
	<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>					
246	Australia to host the Group of 20 in 2014	-	24.1	78.1	212.7	1.4
	<i>Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman</i>					
196	National Health Reform Agreement – establishment of the Administrator and the National Health Funding Body	-	0.1	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>24.8</b>	<b>78.7</b>	<b>213.3</b>	<b>1.4</b>
	<b>REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT</b>					
	<i>Australian National Maritime Museum</i>					
154	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.1
	<i>Australian Sports Commission</i>					
247	Active After-School Communities program – extension	-	19.6	19.6	-	-
	<i>Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport</i>					
247	Adelaide Oval Redevelopment – contribution	-	-	-	-	-

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	<b>REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT (continued)</b>					
247	Antipodes Centre for Greek Culture – contribution	2.0	-	-	-	-
248	Australian National Academy of Music – increased funding	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
248	Bellerive Oval – contribution	15.0	-	-	-	-
248	Boosting Music Industry Innovation and Exports	-	0.4	0.8	0.8	1.0
249	Community Street Soccer and Reclink	-	1.0	1.6	-	-
249	Cove Enterprise Hub – contribution	3.4	-	-	-	-
250	Filming of The Wolverine – contribution	12.8	-	-	-	-
250	Football in Western Sydney – contribution	8.0	-	-	-	-
251	Gunnedah Rural Museum – contribution	0.2	-	-	-	-
251	Illicit Drugs in Sport – savings	-	-1.4	-1.5	-1.3	-1.6
251	Islamic Museum of Australia – contribution	1.5	-	-	-	-
252	Jim Stynes Achievement Scholarships for Young Australians	3.0	-	-	-	-
252	King George V Sports and Community Precinct – contribution	8.7	-	-	-	-
252	Local Government Financial Assistance Grants – accelerating payments	1,117.8	-1,117.8	-	-	-
253	Manuka Oval lighting upgrade – contribution	-	-	-	-	-
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	-	..	..	..
254	National Disaster Recovery Taskforce – extension	-	1.6	-	-	-
255	National Portrait Gallery – establishment as a statutory authority	-	-	-	-	-
255	Netball Australia – contribution	-	-	-	-	-
255	Norfolk Island – further reforms	-	-	-	-	-
256	North Queensland Irrigated Agriculture Strategy	2.4	3.1	0.6	-	-
257	Olympic Park Precinct Community Sports Centre – contribution	10.0	-	-	-	-
257	Parliament House Walk – feasibility study	-	0.1	-	-	-
257	Port Macquarie foreshore works – contribution	1.0	-	-	-	-
258	Private Sector Support for the Arts – amalgamation of Australian Business Arts Foundation with Artsupport	-	1.6	1.6	-	-
258	Resale Royalty Scheme for Visual Artists – continuation	-	0.4	0.3	-	-
259	Riverstone Football and Sporting Precinct Community Infrastructure Initiative – redirection	-	-5.0	-3.0	-	-
259	Saving Lives in the Water – Under Fives – continuation	-	-	-	-	-

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	<b>REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT (continued)</b>					
259	Statue of Slim Dusty and Joy McKean – contribution	..	-	-	-	-
260	Supporting Football in the lead up to the 2015 Asian Cup	-	-	-	-	-
260	Sustainable Australia – promotion of regional living – redirection	-2.1	-4.3	-4.4	-0.1	-
261	Sydney Cricket Ground upgrade – contribution	-	-	-	-	-
261	Tamworth community facilities for children – contribution	0.1	-	-	-	-
261	Taree foreshore development – contribution	1.2	-	-	-	-
262	Wayne Richards Park – contribution	1.8	-	-	-	-
	<i>National Archives of Australia</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.8	1.6	2.3	3.0
	<i>National Capital Authority</i>					
253	National Capital Authority – additional funding	-	2.4	2.9	3.3	3.3
	<i>National Film and Sound Archive</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3
	<i>National Gallery of Australia</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.4	0.9	1.3	1.7
	<i>National Library of Australia</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.7	1.4	2.0	2.6
	<i>National Museum of Australia</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.6	1.1	1.7	2.1
	<i>Old Parliament House</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>1,186.7</b>	<b>-1,094.6</b>	<b>25.7</b>	<b>13.0</b>	<b>15.7</b>
	<b>RESOURCES, ENERGY AND TOURISM</b>					
	<i>Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism</i>					
263	Asia Marketing Fund – establishment	-	8.5	14.0	17.5	21.0
263	Clean Energy Future – Energy Market Reform	0.9	1.6	1.2	1.2	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>10.1</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>21.0</b>

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	<b>SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES</b>					
	<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>					
	Bureau of Meteorology					
266	– increased frontline capabilities	-	4.2	-	-	-
266	– website advertising – one-year trial	-	0.3	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities</i>					
	<i>Antarctica</i>					
265	– continuation of shipping support	-	-	-	-	-
265	– maintaining Australia’s presence	-	11.2	-	-	-
265	Australia-Antarctica Airlink – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
267	Caring for our Country – continuation	-10.6	-20.7	-15.0	-15.0	-15.0
268	Commonwealth Environmental Water Office – reduced funding	-	-1.8	-2.7	-2.7	-2.3
268	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act – implementation of reforms	-	5.4	5.0	8.1	8.9
269	Great Barrier Reef Foundation – contribution	-	-	3.1	3.1	3.1
270	Kokoda Track and region – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
270	Melbourne Royal Exhibition Building – protection and promotion – contribution	-	-	-	-	-
272	Regional Marine Planning Program – continuation	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
272	Remediation of land affected by the Tiwi Islands Plantation project – contribution	-	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
	<i>Water for the Future</i>					
273	– Driving Reform in the Murray-Darling Basin – reduced funding	-	-	-	-	-22.2
273	– National Urban Water and Desalination Plan – reduced funding	-25.7	-	-	-	-
274	– National Water Security Plan for Cities and Towns – reduction in funding	-6.5	-	-	-	-
274	– On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency – expansion	-	-	-	-	-
275	– Strategic Sub-System Reconfiguration – pilot program	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority</i>					
269	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority – Ensuring the Resilience of the Reef – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>National Water Commission</i>					
271	National Water Commission – continuation	-	-2.3	-1.3	-1.2	-1.2
271	Raising National Water Standards Program and the Australian Water Fund – termination	-20.9	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-63.6</b>	<b>-3.5</b>	<b>-10.7</b>	<b>-7.6</b>	<b>-28.5</b>

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	<b>TREASURY</b>					
	<i>Australian Bureau of Statistics</i>					
77	Australian wine industry – support	-	0.2	0.2	-	-
279	Statistics on foreign ownership in the agricultural sector	-	0.8	0.5	0.1	0.4
	<i>Australian Competition and Consumer Commission</i>					
276	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission – additional legal expense funding	-	4.3	-	-	-
279	Petrol Commissioner and formal monitoring of petrol prices – continuation	-	0.9	0.9	-	-
	<i>Australian Prudential Regulation Authority</i>					
276	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority – sustaining capacity	-	15.7	16.2	19.7	23.8
	<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>					
	Australian Securities and Investments Commission					
277	– enhanced market supervision	-	12.3	5.5	4.6	5.0
277	– operational funding	-	15.5	28.8	28.8	28.8
278	Future of Financial Advice Reform	-	3.1	7.7	6.7	5.4
309	Insolvency Practitioners – Modernisation and Harmonisation of the Regulatory Framework(c)	-	1.1	1.5	1.2	1.2
281	Stronger Super – self managed superannuation funds auditor registration	-	2.1	1.3	1.2	1.2
43	Tax compliance – maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	-	0.7	0.6	-
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
17	Australian Business Register – towards a better business future(b)	-	23.3	13.8	13.3	12.9
276	Australian Screen Production Incentive – Producer Offset – defining a documentary	-	-	-	-	-
160	Australia’s civilian engagement in Afghanistan – an integrated whole-of-government approach – continuation	-	-	-	-	-
22	Company tax cut – do not proceed(b)	-	-0.6	-1.2	-	-
24	Fringe benefits tax – further reform of living-away-from-home allowances and benefits(b)	-	2.9	2.8	2.4	0.6
26	GST – compliance program – two year extension(b)	-	-	-	97.2	98.1
279	Heavy Vehicle Road User Charging	-	-166.0	-172.0	-177.0	-183.0
90	Official development assistance – Pacific Police Development Program – continuation	-	-	-	-	-

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	<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
	Personal income tax					
33	– better targeting of the employment termination payment tax offset(b)	2.9	5.3	0.3	0.1	-
35	– consolidate the dependency offsets into one(b)	-	2.4	0.1	0.1	-
146	Replacing the Education Tax Refund with a Schoolkids Bonus	-812.0	-852.0	-857.0	-884.0	-901.0
39	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom – company loss carry back(b)	-	4.0	3.3	1.2	0.7
40	Stronger Shipping for a Stronger Economy – minor amendments(b)	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
	Stronger Super					
280	– implementation of SuperStream reforms	18.3	62.7	93.3	71.8	58.7
281	– self managed superannuation funds auditor registration	4.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.0
	Superannuation					
40	– deferral of higher concessional contributions cap(b)	-	-22.7	-15.0	0.5	7.7
41	– reduction of higher tax concession for contributions of very high income earners(b)	-	13.9	23.9	23.0	19.1
	Tax compliance					
43	– maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(b)	-	-	29.7	18.3	-
44	– managing tax debt in challenging times: a balanced and differentiated approach(b)	-	37.6	30.3	27.1	11.0
	<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
247	Adelaide Oval Redevelopment – contribution	30.0	-	-	-	-
246	Australia to host the Group of 20 in 2014	-	3.4	35.1	4.6	0.8
239	Building Australia Fund – Torrens and Goodwood Junctions rail project	-	-	-	-	232.1
267	Caring for our Country – continuation	10.9	10.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
22	Company tax cut – do not proceed(b)	-	-16.0	-31.0	-46.0	-61.0
	Dental health					
172	– alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists	-	69.2	155.2	119.6	-
174	– reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding	-	-94.3	-96.7	-99.0	-
23	Duty free allowances – cigarettes and tobacco(b)	-	12.0	15.0	16.0	17.0
178	Economic Potential of Senior Australians – Advisory Panel on Positive Ageing	-	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
158	Fire Service Levy – reduction	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

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<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
	Fringe benefits tax				
24	-	-	2.0	3.0	4.0
	- further reform of living-away-from-home allowances and benefits(b)				
25	..	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
	- reform of airline transport fringe benefits(b)				
	GST				
26	-	-	-	235.7	318.4
	- compliance program – two year extension(b)				
26	-	*	-	-	-
	- Government response to Board of Taxation report: GST cross-border transactions: minor changes(b)				
27	-	-	-	-	-
	- GST-free health supplies – minor changes(b)				
27	-	-	-	-	-
	- GST-free nicotine replacement therapy(b)				
28	-	*	*	*	*
	- limiting the Commissioner of Taxation's ability to backdate GST registrations(b)				
28	..	..	..	..	..
	- reduced input tax credits for credit unions(b)				
29	-	-	-	-	-
	- sale of a corporation's property by a mortgagee or chargee(b)				
29	-	-	-	-	-
	- treatment of appropriations – minor change(b)				
177	-	10.0	43.5	82.8	63.4
	Health and Hospitals Fund – 2011 Regional Priority Round				
178	-	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
	Hepatitis C Litigation Settlement Scheme – continuation				
302	-	-118.3	-269.1	158.1	-
	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank In Western Sydney – Defence relocation(c)				
190	-	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5
	Living Longer. Living Better – supporting long stay older patients				
253	2.5	-	-	-	-
	Manuka Oval lighting upgrade – contribution				
270	20.0	-	-	-	-
	Melbourne Royal Exhibition Building – protection and promotion – contribution				
232	-5.0	-	-	-	-
	Murdoch University Px2 outreach program – expansion				
	Nation Building				
239	-	-	231.0	1,025.0	1,400.0
	- additional funding for the Pacific Highway				
240	-	10.0	30.0	20.0	20.0
	- Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program – continuation				
240	-	-	-	60.0	60.0
	Nation Building 2 Program – Black Spots program – continuation				
	Nation Building Program				
241	50.0	-	-	-	-
	- Northern Territory road projects				
241	-	-24.7	-8.7	-	-
	- redirection				
193	-	-	0.6	0.6	1.1
	National Bowel Cancer Screening Program – expansion				

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<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>						
195	National Health and Hospitals Network – Aged care – expand access to multi-purpose services – cessation	-50.0	-35.0	-35.0	-	-
197	National Immunisation Program – extended listing of Prevenar 13®	-	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
242	National Transport Regulatory reforms – implementation assistance	6.6	21.3	-	-	-
88	Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding – donation to Queensland flood appeal	2.0	-	-	-	-
162	Official development assistance – African Development Bank Group membership	-	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
198	Papua New Guinea – Staged handover of tuberculosis patients by Queensland Health	-	0.9	..	-	-
79	Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System – maintaining core biosecurity operations	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
	Schools					
122	– Reward Payments for School Improvement – reduction	-	-	-	-8.1	-16.2
123	– Supporting implementation of the More Support for Students with Disabilities Initiative	0.5	0.3	..	-	-
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	7.7	-	-	-	-
	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory					
148	– child, youth, family and community wellbeing	-	13.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
149	– community safety and justice	-	21.3	nfp	nfp	nfp
205	– Health	-	9.1	nfp	nfp	nfp
150	– healthy homes	-	4.9	nfp	nfp	nfp
150	– improving Indigenous housing in the Northern Territory	-	22.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
151	– municipal and essential services in the Northern Territory – extension	-	5.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
152	– remote engagement and coordination	-	4.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
152	– tackling alcohol abuse	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
280	Stronger Super – implementation of SuperStream reforms	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2
261	Sydney Cricket Ground upgrade – contribution	50.0	-	-	-	-
42	Tax administration – restore Commissioner's ability to delay paying a refund(b)	-	-	-	-	-
43	Tax compliance – managing tax debt in challenging times: a balanced and differentiated approach(b)	-	104.5	135.6	99.8	51.5



**Table 2: Expense measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>TREASURY (continued)</b>					
244	Temporary Assistance to Tasmanian exporters accessing international markets	20.0	-	-	-	-
274	Water for the Future – National Water Security Plan for Cities and Towns – reduction in funding	-10.0	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-650.8</b>	<b>-829.4</b>	<b>-592.2</b>	<b>913.4</b>	<b>1,266.3</b>
	<b>VETERANS' AFFAIRS</b>					
	<i>Australian War Memorial</i>					
254	National Collecting Institutions – supplementary funding	-	0.6	1.1	1.6	2.0
	<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>					
282	Anzac Centenary Program 2014-18	-	12.0	15.1	16.0	6.9
283	Digital Productivity – Trial of In-Home Telehealth for Veterans	-	-	-	-	-
	Living Longer. Living Better					
180	– addressing workforce pressures	-	-	11.7	24.9	40.1
184	– improving the Aged Care Funding Instrument	-	-8.3	-41.7	-56.6	-66.7
184	– means testing	-	0.2	0.8	-8.9	-19.0
185	– older Australians from diverse backgrounds	-	-0.3	12.9	13.4	14.0
187	– residential care	-	2.1	2.2	20.1	29.9
188	– staying at home	-	-	-	-5.0	-18.5
141	Means test exemptions for the Western Australian Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme – extension	-	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
	Medicare Benefits Schedule					
191	– new and revised listings	..	..	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
192	– removal of Outer Metropolitan Specialist Trainees' items	-	..	..	..	..
193	National Bowel Cancer Screening Program – expansion	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.2
194	National e-Health Program – continuation	-	1.5	1.1	-	-
	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme					
199	– new and amended listings	..	0.2	0.9	2.6	4.3
200	– price changes	-0.2	-1.2	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments	-	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
283	Reclassification of Australian Defence Force service – Operation Quickstep (Tonga)	-	..	..	0.1	0.1
284	Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme – New listings and price increases	..	..	..	..	..
284	Review of Military Compensation Arrangements – Government response	-	2.1	4.5	3.2	2.4

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Page		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	<b>VETERANS' AFFAIRS (continued)</b>					
127	Social and Community Services – Queensland pay equity regulation – back pay	0.2	0.2	0.2	-	-
285	Suicide awareness and prevention – continuation of Operation Life	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.1
206	Telehealth – redirection of funding	-	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>7.7</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>-5.7</b>
	<b>Decisions taken but not yet announced</b>	<b>119.4</b>	<b>-130.3</b>	<b>-126.1</b>	<b>163.9</b>	<b>-274.7</b>
	<b>Depreciation expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>54.2</b>	<b>77.9</b>	<b>81.1</b>
	<b>Total impact of expense measures(d)</b>	<b>1,951.4</b>	<b>201.2</b>	<b>773.2</b>	<b>3,094.6</b>	<b>3,230.7</b>

\* The nature of the measure is such that a reliable estimate cannot be provided.

.. Not zero, but rounded to zero.

- Nil.

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(a) A minus sign before an estimate indicates a reduction in expenses, no sign before an estimate indicates increased expenses.

(b) These measures can also be found in the revenue measures summary table.

(c) These measures can also be found in the capital measures summary table.

(d) Measures may not add due to rounding.

## AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY

### Australian wine industry — support

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	1.4	1.1	-	-
Australian Bureau of Statistics	-	0.2	0.2	-	-
Total - Expense	-	1.6	1.3	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.9 million over two years to improve support for the Australian wine industry. Funding of \$2.1 million over two years will enable the Wine Australia Corporation to undertake new marketing activities to assist in improving the sales and profitability of the industry. In addition, the Australian Bureau of Statistics will receive \$0.4 million over two years to continue the wine statistics survey for two years while the Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences will receive \$0.4 million in 2012-13 to undertake a benchmark analysis of production and financial performance of the wine grape growing industry.

See also the related revenue measure titled *Wine equalisation tax – protecting the integrity of the wine producer rebate*.

### Australian Year of the Farmer — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.3 million in 2011-12 for projects that recognise and promote the significant role played by agricultural groups to mark the Australian Year of the Farmer in 2012.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

### Climate Change Adjustment Program (Transitional Income Support) — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government redirected \$1.3 million in 2011-12 from Australia's Farming Future — Climate Change Adjustment Program (Transitional Income Support). The reduction of \$1.3 million reflects lower than anticipated demand in the program.

Savings from this measure were redirected to support other government priorities.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

### **Drought Assistance — additional funding for Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grants**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide additional funding of \$0.9 million in 2011-12 for the Exceptional Circumstances Exit Grant program.

The additional funding is required to meet higher than expected demand following the announced closure of the program to new applicants on 10 August 2011.

The cost of this measure will be met from within existing resourcing of the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

Further information can be found in the press release of 10 August 2011 issued by the Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

### **Drought Assistance — Transitional Farm Family Payment — extension**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	12.0	7.7	-	-
Department of Human Services	0.3	1.5	1.4	-	-
Total - Expense	0.3	13.5	9.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$22.8 million over three years to extend the Transitional Farm Family Payment program, previously known as the Transitional Income Support program, for two years until 30 June 2014.

The program provides eligible farm families experiencing hardship with up to 12 months of income support payments equivalent to the Newstart Allowance. Eligibility criteria for assistance includes a similar income test to the Newstart Allowance and a limit on the net value of assets of \$1.5 million.

The funding includes \$3.1 million over three years for the Department of Human Services to deliver the program.

Further information can be found in the press release of 27 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry.

**Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations — reduced funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-2.9	-	-	-	-

The Government reduced funding for the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (UNFAO) program in 2011-12 by \$2.9 million.

Australia's UNFAO membership is not affected by this measure.

Savings from this measure were redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System — maintaining core biosecurity operations**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	38.2	38.6	32.6	31.0
Department of the Treasury	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	38.6	39.0	33.0	31.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	1.0	1.0	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Capital	-	1.0	1.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$144.3 million over four years to maintain funding for core biosecurity operations and to continue progress on reforming Australia's biosecurity system.

This measure includes funding to maintain the current level of quarantine border protection activities; commence urgent infrastructure work on information and communications technology to support current biosecurity operations; and implement the new biosecurity legislation.

See also the related capital measure titled *Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System – new Post-Entry Quarantine facility* in the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio.

**Western Australia Drought Pilot — additional funding for Farm Family Support**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	1.7	-	-	-	-

The Government provided an additional \$1.7 million in 2011-12 for the Farm Family Support program, which is a component of the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *Drought policy reform – pilot of new measures in Western Australia – extension and expansion*.

The Farm Family Support program assists farmers and their families facing temporary financial hardship to meet basic household expenses.

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S

### Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity — resource transfer

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	-	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will transfer \$3.0 million over four years from the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (Customs) to the Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity (ACLEI). The transfer will provide ongoing funding for ACLEI to investigate allegations of corruption relating to the law enforcement functions of Customs.

### Australian Customs and Border Protection Service — Increased use of SmartGate capability

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-3.3	-5.2	-5.4	-5.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>	-	5.2	2.7	-	-

The Government will provide capital funding of \$7.9 million over two years to purchase additional passport control self-processing kiosks (SmartGates) for use at Australia's major international airports. The Government will achieve net savings of \$11.9 million over four years from the increased use of the SmartGate capability and by streamlining security arrangements at Sydney Airport.

### Australian Customs and Border Protection Service — Long Term Ashmore Reef Capability

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	0.5	4.2	7.6	7.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>

The Government will provide funding to acquire a surveillance and enforcement vessel for use in the vicinity of Ashmore Reef. The vessel will provide a long-term capability and replace the *Ashmore Guardian* when the current lease expires on 30 June 2013. This funding will also provide for the operating costs of the new vessel.

The acquisition of a vessel continues the Government's commitment to manage suspected irregular entry vessels, protect fragile fisheries and respond to safety at sea and pollution incidents around Ashmore Reef.

The capital costs for this measure have not been published because they are subject to commercial negotiation.

**Australian Federal Police — International Deployment Group — efficiencies**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1	-2.1

The Government has identified savings of \$8.6 million over four years by reducing funding provided to the Australian Federal Police (AFP) International Deployment Group, which is responsible for the overseas deployment of AFP officers.

This measure does not affect the AFP's ability to deliver its current overseas deployments and will have a minimal impact on operations.

**Australian Federal Police — slowing recruitment of additional sworn officers**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	-12.5	-5.7	-7.8	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$25.9 million over three years by deferring the recruitment target for additional sworn Australian Federal Police (AFP) officers by one year.

This measure will still result in the recruitment of 500 additional sworn officers by 2015-16, which is one year later than the previous recruitment schedule.

**Australian Federal Police — continued deployment to the United Nations Mission in Cyprus**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	0.9	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-0.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.9 million in 2012-13 to continue the Australian Federal Police (AFP) deployment to the United Nations Mission in Cyprus.

This measure will allow the AFP to maintain a presence of 15 officers in Cyprus. The officers will assist the UN peacekeeping force operating in the buffer zone separating Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities.



This measure is expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$0.1 million in 2012-13 as AFP officers are taxed concessionally on their base pay and allowances while on deployment.

### Australian Federal Police — forensic facility

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	0.1	0.1	..	-
Australian Federal Police	-	-0.1	-0.1	..	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding to construct and fit-out a forensic science and technical intelligence facility for the Australian Federal Police (AFP) in the Australian Capital Territory. The new facility will replace the existing Forensic and Data Centre and provide AFP specialist forensic capacity to meet future needs.

Funding for the facility will be sourced from the AFP's existing Departmental Capital Budget and therefore has no net impact on the Budget. Funding of \$0.2 million will be transferred from the AFP to the Department of Finance and Deregulation for the Gateway review process. This process provides quality assurance of major capital projects.

### Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	-	8.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.8 million in 2012-13 to the Commonwealth Director of Public Prosecutions (CDPP) to prosecute crew and organisers of people smuggling ventures. This measure will fund the CDPP for the workload resulting from existing and anticipated cases.

### Confiscated Assets Account — deferral of expenditure

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia	-	-13.5	-13.5	-13.5	-17.8

The Government will defer payments from the Confiscated Assets Account made under section 298 of the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002*.

The Attorney-General's Department manages programs of expenditure under section 298 of the Act relating to crime prevention activities and provides advice to the Minister for Home Affairs on expenditure from the Account.

This measure will achieve savings of \$58.3 million over four years.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **CrimTrac — Ceasing Interest Equivalency Payments**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
CrimTrac Agency	-	-4.6	-4.6	-4.6	-4.6

As part of revised funding arrangements for CrimTrac, the Government will achieve savings of \$18.6 million over four years by ceasing to provide an Interest Equivalency Payment (IEP). CrimTrac will raise sufficient revenue from criminal history checks to fund its operating requirements and capital expenses. As a consequence CrimTrac will not need an IEP to help fund its activities.

### **Document Verification Service — extension to the private sector**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	1.7	2.1	2.3
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>	-	-	1.0	2.3	3.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>	-	-	1.5	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.5 million over three years from 2013-14 to extend the Document Verification Service (DVS) to the private sector. The DVS will provide a tool to help reduce the incidence of identity fraud and improve the integrity of consumer identification used by the banking and finance, telecommunications, aviation and maritime security industries.

This measure includes the introduction of a transaction fee which will recover the costs of the program with revenue estimated at \$6.9 million over three years from 2013-14.

### **Economic Potential of Senior Australians — countering negative stereotypes and promoting positive media portrayal of older Australians**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Human Rights Commission	-	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Human Rights Commission</i>	-	-	..	..	-

The Government will provide \$2.1 million over four years to the Australian Human Rights Commission to enable the Age Discrimination Commissioner to undertake a project to address the stereotyping of older Australians through the media and among the broader Australian community. The project will include research into the media portrayal and identification of community attitudes towards older people, media roundtables to address the key barriers identified to the positive portrayal of older people by the media, and community education and awareness activities to promote positive portrayal of older people.

Revenue of \$20,000 per annum will be recovered in 2013-14 and 2014-15 in relation to the provision of media industry training.

### **Illegal Foreign Fishing in Northern Waters — efficiencies**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$6.0 million over four years from the management of illegal foreign fishing vessels including from funding for aircraft charter, caretaking and the destruction of unseaworthy vessels. This measure reflects a lower than expected number of illegal foreign fishers in Australian northern waters.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Indigenous Law and Justice Programs — redirection of funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	-6.5	-5.7	-5.8	-5.9

The Government will redirect \$23.9 million over four years from Indigenous law and justice programs to support Indigenous community safety initiatives in the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory package comprising:

- \$4.1 million from the expensive cases component within the Indigenous Legal Aid and Policy Reform Program;

- \$4.5 million from the early intervention grant component within the Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Program; and
- \$15.3 million from Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory law and order measures.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 28 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Attorney-General, the Minister for Indigenous Health and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

### **Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability — share arrangement for Southern Ocean surveillance**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-	-	6.4	6.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>	-	-	-	0.5	-

The Government will provide the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service with \$13.5 million to fund the operational costs of the shared use of the Department of Defence Offshore Support Vessel from 2014-15 to 2015-16. This measure will maintain a Southern Ocean patrol and law enforcement capability, including satellite surveillance, protecting against illegal fishing and fulfilling Australia's obligations under international agreements.

See also the related expense measure titled *Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability – acquisition of an Offshore Support Vessel* in the Defence portfolio.

### **National Children's Commissioner — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Human Rights Commission	-	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
Total - Expense	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4

The Government will provide \$3.5 million over four years to establish a National Children's Commissioner within the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC).

This measure will assist the AHRC in its role in protecting and promoting human rights in Australia. The Children's Commissioner will promote public awareness of issues affecting children, conduct research and education programs, consult children, and monitor Commonwealth legislation, policies and programs.

The Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs will contribute \$0.5 million per year by redirecting funding from within the Family Support Program.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 29 April 2012 issued by the Attorney-General, the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, and the Minister for Community Services.

### **National Native Title Tribunal reform — increased efficiencies**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Federal Court of Australia	-	19.7	19.4	19.5	19.7
National Native Title Tribunal	-	-24.4	-24.1	-24.2	-24.4
<b>Total - Expense</b>	-	-4.8	-4.8	-4.8	-4.8
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Federal Court of Australia	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
National Native Title Tribunal	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
<b>Total - Revenue</b>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$19.0 million over four years through efficiencies in the operation of the native title system.

This measure primarily involves the transfer of the National Native Title Tribunal functions of native title claims mediations to the Federal Court of Australia. The reform involves consolidating the corporate services areas of the two agencies, drawing on the Federal Court's case management processes and expertise. The reform will contribute to a more efficient and effective native title system. The National Native Title Tribunal will operate as an independent statutory authority but will no longer be a separate agency under the *Financial Management and Accountability Act 1997*. The National Native Title Tribunal will continue to play a central role in the effective functioning of the native title system.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support Government initiatives in the Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory package.

**Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding — assistance to Toowoomba City Council**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$10 million in 2011-12, as part of its response to the natural disasters in Queensland, to support the early completion of flood mitigation works in the Gowrie Creek Catchment, Toowoomba.

The cost of this measure will be met from within existing resources by the reallocation of up to \$10 million in 2011-12 from the Natural Disasters Queensland Local Governments Package funded under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements. The project will be jointly funded by the Commonwealth, Queensland State Government and the Toowoomba City Council in the ratio 40:40:20 respectively.

**Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding — donation to Queensland flood appeal**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	2.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	2.0	-	-	-	-

The Government has provided \$2.0 million in 2011-12 to the Queensland Premier's Disaster Relief Appeal for assistance to people adversely affected by flooding events in Queensland in 2012. The Australian Red Cross is assisting the Queensland Government in distributing assistance from the appeal fund.

**Natural Disaster Recovery and Rebuilding — New Zealand Special Category Visa Holders Ex-Gratia Payments**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.2 million in 2011-12 to assist New Zealand Special Category Visa holders adversely affected by flooding in New South Wales, Queensland and Victoria in 2011-12. Ex-gratia payments equivalent to the Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) are being made available to those who otherwise meet the eligibility requirements of the AGDRP and who are prevented from applying for the AGDRP due to their residency status.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Attorney-General's Department.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 22 March 2012, 23 March 2012, 12 April 2012 and 27 April 2012 issued by the Attorney-General and Minister for Emergency Management and the Minister for Human Services; and the press release of 16 March 2012 issued by the Attorney-General and Minister for Emergency Management.

### **Official development assistance — extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	3.4	-	-	-
AusAID	-	-3.5	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-0.1	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-0.8	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Federal Police	-	0.1	-	-	-
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Capital	-	0.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.5 million in 2012-13 (including capital funding of \$0.1 million) to maintain the contribution of Australian Federal Police (AFP) officers to the United Nations Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT).

This measure will allow the AFP to maintain its existing deployment of 50 officers to UNMIT until the UN commences its withdrawal of the Mission in December 2012. The deployed officers will continue to provide strategic support to the Government of Timor-Leste and the UN to maintain public order.

Funding for this measure will be offset from within existing resources of AusAID and therefore has no net impact on the budget position. This measure is also expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$0.8 million in 2012-13 as a result of the tax treatment of the income and benefits received by deployed officers overseas.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — Pacific Police Development Program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Federal Police	-	21.4	21.5	22.3	23.2
Attorney-General's Department	-	1.7	1.7	2.2	2.3
AusAID	-	-13.5	-7.3	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>15.9</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>25.5</b>
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-0.4	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
<b>Total - Revenue</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.6</b>	<b>-0.6</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Federal Police	-	0.7	0.1	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$97.1 million over four years (including capital funding of \$0.8 million) for the continuation of the Pacific Police Development Program, including a presence in Papua New Guinea.

The Australian Federal Police and the Attorney-General's Department (AGD) will continue deployments to a number of Pacific countries to enhance the operational community policing capabilities of Pacific police organisations and strengthen public confidence in the capacity of police to maintain the rule of law and public order.

Funding for this measure includes \$76.2 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve, \$20.8 million from within existing resources of AusAID and \$0.2 million from within the existing resources of AGD.

This measure is expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$2.2 million over four years as a result of the tax treatment of the income and benefits received by deployed offices posted overseas.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.



## BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

### Audio description services — trial

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	1.5	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.5 million in 2011-12 for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation to conduct a trial of audio description technology services, which provide additional verbal commentary to improve access to electronic media for people with a visual impairment.

The trial will aim to identify and solve technical issues regarding the broadcast of audio description in Australia, raise awareness of audio description within the industry and amongst other key stakeholders and obtain information on user requirements.

Further information can be found in the press release of 22 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

### Australian Broadcasting Corporation — regional radio services

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</i>	5.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.6 million (including \$5.0 million in capital funding in 2011-12) over five years from 2011-12 to allow the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) to upgrade its radio transmission sites and studios to become compatible with the new Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) signal by 1 January 2014. This upgrade is required to allow the continued transmission of ABC radio services in non-metropolitan areas following the cessation of the Aurora satellite signal from 31 December 2013.

The ABC will convert a total of 652 radio services located at 367 transmission sites to accept the VAST signal, and upgrade 60 studio sites to both upload and download radio content via VAST.

**Digital Productivity — Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Digital Classroom — National Online Education Portal**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$19.9 million over three years from 2011-12 (including \$6.0 million in capital funding in 2011-12) to help students, families and teachers take advantage of the National Broadband Network.

The funding will be used to develop an education portal on the ABC website that will make digital education resources available to students both in and out of the classroom. The portal will also provide access to the ABC's database of contemporary content. The ABC will work with Education Services Australia and the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority to ensure that the content is aligned with the Australian Curriculum.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 15 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy and the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth.

This measure is part of the Government's broader digital economy strategy.

**Digital Productivity — putting museums online for public access**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	-	-	-	-	-
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.4 million over two years from 2011-12 (including \$0.4 million in capital funding in 2011-12 and \$0.02 million in 2012-13) to provide online remote access to national cultural institutions to help demonstrate the opportunities offered by the National Broadband Network (NBN).

Using the high bandwidth capability of the NBN, visitors will be able to undertake virtual tours of these institutions via mobile robots. Users will be able to engage and interact with local visitors and tour guides and will be provided with a range of additional on-screen information to enhance their experience.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

This measure is part of the Government's broader digital economy strategy.

### Digital Television Switchover — spectrum restacking

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	16.5	39.7	43.9	10.7	-
Australian Communications and Media Authority	-	-	2.1	1.1	-
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>16.5</b>	<b>39.7</b>	<b>46.0</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>-</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy</i>	-	-	0.2	0.2	-
<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>	-	-	0.1	0.1	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$143.2 million over five years (including capital funding of \$0.4 million in 2013-14 and \$0.3 million in 2014-15) to ensure free-to-air commercial and national broadcasters vacate the digital dividend spectrum in a timely fashion. This funding will assist broadcasters to replace and retune existing transmission equipment and allow the digital dividend spectrum to be cleared as soon as possible after the switch-off of analog television services on 31 December 2013.

This measure includes \$26.1 million to research, develop, and conduct a communications campaign for the purpose of informing communities about the process. The measure also includes \$9.7 million to be provided to the Australian Communication and Media Authority and the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy to conduct research and an evaluation of the process, respond to inquiries about the digital switchover, and maintain the mySwitch website to provide information about reception questions.

Funding from this measure for the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and the Special Broadcasting Service is not for publication to protect the national broadcasters' position in any future negotiations with service providers.

The cost of this measure will be partially offset by a provision of \$53.0 million previously included in the Contingency Reserve for assistance to broadcasters for spectrum restacking.

Further information on the digital dividend can be found in the press release of 24 June 2010 issued by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

**National Broadband Network — regional and remote information**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	20.0	-	-	-	-

The Government has provided \$20.0 million in 2011-12 to improve public understanding, address misconceptions and provide updated information about the National Broadband Network (NBN).

These activities will be focused on regional and remote areas where access to the NBN will be provided through fixed wireless and satellite services.

**National Broadband Network — support for NBN Co-Telstra Definitive Agreements**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	-	-	-	-	-

The Government provided \$321.6 million on 30 March 2012 to Telstra to support the Definitive Agreements between NBN Co and Telstra, as agreed in June 2010.

In June 2010, NBN Co and Telstra entered into a series of agreements regarding the use of Telstra's infrastructure and the progressive migration of Telstra's customers to the National Broadband Network. In support of the agreements, the Government committed to provide approximately \$2 billion of value through a series of public policy reforms and a payment to Telstra, the value of which equated to \$190.0 million post-tax in net present value terms.

Provision for this funding was included in the Contingency Reserve in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 7 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

**Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	-	13.4	21.2	26.3	26.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	5.0	3.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$95.2 million over five years (including capital funding of \$5.0 million in 2011-12 and \$3.0 million in 2012-13) to the Special Broadcasting Service Corporation (SBS). This additional funding will allow the SBS to maintain the quality and delivery of existing services and upgrade distribution and storage technology. The funding also allows the SBS to increase expenditure on commissioned and acquired content.

**Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — free-to-air Indigenous television service**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	-	12.3	15.6	15.9	16.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	-	2.9	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$63.0 million over four years (including \$2.9 million in capital funding in 2012-13) to the Special Broadcasting Service Corporation to establish a free-to-air Indigenous television service to provide a similar service to the current National Indigenous Television service but with national coverage. The funding also provides for an increase in the number of hours of first-run Indigenous content from 2013-14.

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 September 2011 issued by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

**Spectrum — support for clearance of the 2.5 GHz band**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	-	15.2	23.2	1.5	-
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4
Total - Expense	-	15.6	23.6	1.9	0.4
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	12.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$53.5 million over four years (including capital funding of \$12.1 million in 2012-13) to free-to-air commercial television broadcasters and the Australian Broadcasting Corporation to facilitate their clearance of the 2.5 gigahertz spectrum band.

The broadcasters are required to vacate part of the 2.5 gigahertz band currently used to cover some sporting, entertainment, cultural and news events. The funding will be used to assist broadcasters to purchase new electronic news gathering equipment capable of operating in alternative spectrum bands.

Partially clearing this spectrum band will allow the Government to proceed with auctioning the rights to use portions of the 2.5 gigahertz spectrum for other services such as mobile broadband.

**Terrestrial Equalisation: Additional Services Assistance Plan — rationalisation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy	-2.1	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.1 million in 2011-12 from rationalising two existing government initiatives for television transmission delivery services. The two services are the Viewer Access Satellite Television (VAST) and the Terrestrial Equalisation: Additional Services Assistance Plan.

This rationalisation will allow the Government to reduce funding for the Additional Services Assistance Plan while maintaining the equivalent level of services to regional and remote areas of Australia through increased utilisation of the VAST service at no extra cost.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Untimed Local Calls in the Extended Zones — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency	-	1.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.5 million in 2012-13 to give customers in the extended zones access to untimed local calls. Section 107 of the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Services Standards) Act 1999* requires regulations or other arrangements to be in place to provide customers in the extended zones with access to untimed local calls.

Longer term arrangements for the provision of this service will be determined following consideration of the findings of the Review of Retail Price Controls undertaken by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission and the Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.



## CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY

### Building energy efficiency — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency	-	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6

The Government will provide \$2.8 million over four years for the Commonwealth's contribution to COAG's building energy efficiency activities. The funding includes \$0.8 million for the Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning High Efficiency Systems Strategy (HVAC HESS) and \$1.6 million for the National Australian Built Environment Rating System (NABERS).

HVAC HESS is aimed at achieving long-term improvements in the energy efficiency of heating, ventilation and air conditioning systems in non-residential buildings. NABERS is a performance-based rating system that rates existing commercial offices, hotels and residential buildings based on their operational impacts on the environment.

### Climate Change Adaptation Program — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency	-	3.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.0 million in 2012-13 to continue a range of climate change adaptation activities, including to help plan and respond to climate change risks, particularly in areas recognised as national priorities.

The Productivity Commission is scheduled to provide a final report to the Government on its *Barriers to Effective Climate Change Adaptation* inquiry in September 2012. The inquiry will assist the Government in identifying changes in regulation and policy settings that may be necessary to help manage the impacts of climate change at the lowest possible cost, while taking advantage of opportunities that a changing climate may bring.

Further information relating to the inquiry can be found in the joint press release of 20 September 2011 issued by the Minister for Climate Change and Energy Efficiency and the Assistant Treasurer and Minister for Financial Services and Superannuation.

**National Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards Program — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency	-	4.1	16.0	17.3	17.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency</i>	-	5.0	5.3	5.8	6.7

The Government will provide \$37.1 million over four years to assist in establishing a nationally consistent legislative framework for Greenhouse and Energy Minimum Standards to replace the existing patchwork of inconsistent laws. The total cost of establishing the framework is expected to be \$59.8 million over four years, with the additional costs being met through cost recovery for product registration and compliance monitoring and contributions from other jurisdictions, which are being sought as part of negotiations on a new intergovernmental agreement.

The costs of product registration will be fully recovered, while recovery of the costs of compliance monitoring will be phased in from 2012-13, in accordance with the Australian Government Cost Recovery Guidelines. The fees will be reviewed every three years.

The cost of this measure will be partially met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Climate Change and Energy Efficiency.

## CROSS PORTFOLIO

### Australian Intelligence Community — reprioritisation

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Various Agencies	-	-20.4	-20.4	-20.4	-20.4

The Government will redirect funding of \$81.6 million over four years from across the Australian Intelligence Community (AIC), including the deferral of planned growth in staffing for the Australian Secret Intelligence Organisation.

The funding from this measure will be redirected to support other national intelligence priorities within the AIC.

## DEFENCE

### Afghanistan — enhanced detainee management framework

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government provided \$2.2 million in 2011-12 to enhance detainee management in Afghanistan.

The measure funded the upgrading of the Initial Screening Area and the deployment of an interrogation capability to the Multi-National Base at Tarin Kot, Uruzgan. This increased the capacity of the Australian Defence Force to detain and screen suspected insurgents until their release or transfer to Afghan or United States authorities.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Defence.

### Coastal Surveillance — continuation of Operation Resolute

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$9.5 million in 2012-13 for the net additional cost of continuing Operation Resolute, the military contribution to Border Protection Command-led surveillance activities to protect Australia's offshore resources and deter people smuggling.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

### Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	911.5	212.3	131.5	50.0
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Defence</i>	-	21.3	-	-	-
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-72.2	-1.6	-	-
<i>Total - Revenue</i>	-	-50.9	-1.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.3 billion over four years for the net additional cost of continuing Operation Slipper, Australia's military contribution to international stabilisation and counter-terrorism efforts in Afghanistan and the wider Middle East Area of Operations (MEAO). This cost will be reduced by the recovery of \$21.3 million from other Coalition Forces for logistic support provided by the Australian Defence Force (ADF), primarily at the Multi-National Base at Tarin Kot, Uruzgan. This funding covers the extension of Australia's operations to June 2013 based on the continued deployment to Afghanistan and the MEAO of an average of 2380 ADF personnel.

This measure includes an indicative cost of \$374.9 million over four years for the deployment of a Force Transition Team (FTT) comprising up to approximately 250 ADF personnel. The FTT will be responsible for planning and co-ordinating Australia's transition from a provincial focus based in Uruzgan to a nationally-focused mission based in Kabul.

For 2012-13, the total net additional cost of Operation Slipper is \$1.2 billion, comprising this measure and previously approved funding of \$299.6 million.

This measure is also expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$73.8 million over two years as ADF personnel are taxed concessionally on their base pay and allowances while on deployment.

**Solomon Islands — continued Australian Defence Force assistance to the Regional Assistance Mission to Solomon Islands**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	43.1	1.4	1.1	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Defence	-	1.6	-	-	-
Australian Taxation Office	-	-2.6	-0.1	-	-
<i>Total - Revenue</i>	-	-1.0	-0.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$45.6 million over three years for the net additional cost of extending Operation Anode, Australia's military contribution to the Regional Assistance Mission to the Solomon Islands, until June 2013. This cost will be reduced by the recovery of \$1.6 million from the New Zealand Defence Force for logistics support provided by the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

For 2012-13, the total net additional cost of Operation Anode is \$42.9 million, comprising this measure and previously approved funding of \$1.4 million.

This measure is also expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$2.7 million over two years as ADF personnel are taxed concessionally on their base pay and allowances while on deployment.

**Timor-Leste — continuation of Australia's commitment to helping to maintain security and stability**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	78.4	-0.1	0.6	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Defence	-	1.5	-	-	-
Australian Taxation Office	-	-3.7	-0.1	-	-
<i>Total - Revenue</i>	-	-2.2	-0.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$78.8 million over three years for the net additional cost of extending Operation Astute, Australia's military contribution to maintaining stability in Timor-Leste (East Timor), until December 2012. The cost will be reduced by the recovery of \$1.5 million from the New Zealand Defence Force for contracted logistics support provided by the Australian Defence Force (ADF). The Government will further consider Australia's military contribution following the East Timorese parliamentary elections to be held in mid-2012.

For 2012-13, the total net additional cost of Operation Astute is \$87.6 million, comprising this measure and previously approved funding of \$10.7 million.

This measure is also expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$3.7 million over two years as ADF personnel are taxed concessionally on their base pay and allowances while on deployment.

## EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

### Adjustment to the HECS-HELP Benefit for Early Childhood Education Teachers

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	0.4	0.7	1.1	1.9	3.2
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	0.4	0.7	1.1	1.9	3.2
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	..	..	-0.1	-0.2

The Government will expand the HECS-HELP Benefit for early childhood education teachers by broadening the eligibility criteria at a cost of \$7.6 million over four years. This will involve:

- doubling the number of eligible postcode areas by including inner regional cities; and
- removing the current requirement for teachers to spend 50 per cent of their working week teaching. Qualified early childhood education teachers providing pedagogical support to other staff, but carrying a teaching load of less than 50 per cent will now be able to obtain the HECS-HELP Benefit.

The HECS-HELP Benefit for early childhood education teachers reduces the HECS-HELP debt of early childhood education teachers working in regional, remote or high disadvantage areas through an annual remission of up to \$1,745 (in the 2011-12 financial year), indexed annually for a maximum of five equivalent full-time years (or 260 working weeks).

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 December 2011 issued by the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth.



**Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	6.2	5.1	3.0	2.7

The Government will provide \$17 million over four years from 2012-13 to the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to enable it to deliver the national education reform priorities set by the Standing Council on School Education and Early Childhood.

An increased budget for the period 2012-13 to 2015-16 will allow ACARA to continue work against its three key deliverables: the Australian Curriculum; the National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) which measures students' progress; and the MySchool website which provides national data collection and reporting of school resourcing and outcomes.

**Automotive Industry Structural Adjustment Package — Labour Market Element — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$15.6 million over five years (including \$5.0 million in 2016-17) to continue the Labour Market Element of the Automotive Industry Structural Adjustment Package until 30 June 2017.

This measure will continue to provide assistance to workers made redundant from eligible manufacturing firms in the automotive industry, enabling these workers to access intensive employment assistance such as job search, career advice and training tailored to local labour market conditions.

This measure has the capacity to assist approximately 3,000 workers.

The cost of this measure will be met from within existing resourcing of the *New Car Plan for a Greener Future* package.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 22 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Industry and Innovation and the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations.

**BackTrack — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	-

The Government will provide \$0.8 million over four years (including \$0.2 million in 2011-12) to support BackTrack, a not-for-profit initiative that helps prevent disadvantaged and at risk youth in the Armidale region from entering the juvenile justice system.

BackTrack runs a number of programs to engage young people who may be at risk of becoming disengaged or are having a difficult time due to, for example, homelessness or substance abuse. The programs are intended to help them become skilled and confident workers in areas such as trades and agriculture.

The funding will be used to help run the Iron Man Welders Shed – a fully operational welding workshop; the Paws Up program which helps teach self discipline through boys training working dogs; and AgLads, which offers boys formal as well as on-the-job training on local farms.

**Bribie Island Youth Camp Facilities — one-off grant**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	1.9	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide a one-off grant of \$1.9 million in 2011-12 to St Andrews Greek Orthodox Theological College to help complete the final phase of the Bribie Island Youth Camp facilities. The grant will support the completion of a multi-purpose youth and community retreat and education centre, including 20 camp sites, further amenities, a self-contained accommodation unit and a caretaker’s residence. The Camp facilities will be used as a retreat for young members of the Orthodox Church and will be available for use by the wider community.

Further information can be found in the press release of 25 March 2012 issued by the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth.

**Building Australia's Future Workforce — changes to ABSTUDY eligibility**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	0.6	0.2	-	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-0.7	-1.3	-1.4	-1.4
Total - Expense	0.6	-0.6	-1.3	-1.4	-1.4

The Government will change the eligibility age for ABSTUDY payment rates to align with the revised eligibility ages for Youth Allowance and Newstart Allowance, introduced as part of the *Building Australia's Future Workforce* package in the 2011-12 Budget. This measure will result in savings of \$4.1 million over five years.

The maximum age of eligibility for the basic rate of ABSTUDY will be increased from 20 to 21 years and the minimum age of qualification for the maximum rate of ABSTUDY will be increased from 21 to 22 years. Eligibility for the Youth Disability Supplement to ABSTUDY will also extend from 21 to 22 years. Existing recipients, who are 21 years of age as at 1 July 2012 will continue to receive the maximum ABSTUDY rate.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Clontarf Foundation and Engagement Strategies for Indigenous students**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.9	2.0	0.9	-

The Government will provide \$4.8 million over three years to support additional school-based sport academies operated by the Clontarf Foundation in New South Wales. This funding will also support new programs to engage Indigenous girls.

Both elements of this measure seek to improve the health, education, training and employment outcomes of Indigenous students. The measure builds on the existing Sporting Chance Program that currently supports around 5,000 Indigenous students in Western Australia, Northern Territory, Victoria and Queensland.

### Community-based employment advice services — continued funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.1 million over four years to continue its support for the not-for-profit community-based employment advice services. This funding will support Working Women’s Centres in South Australia, Queensland and the Northern Territory, the Employment Law Centre of Western Australia and JobWatch in Victoria.

The funding will assist these organisations to continue and expand their workplace relations education services to disadvantaged and vulnerable Australians who experience difficulties in asserting and exercising their workplace rights.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman.

### Economic Potential of Senior Australians — employment assistance

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	5.3	6.6	9.0	8.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$29.6 million over four years to build workplaces that value the experience of older Australians and increase the recruitment and retention of mature age job seekers in the Australian workforce.

This measure includes funding for:

- up to 10,000 jobs bonuses of \$1,000 each to employers who employ an eligible mature age job seeker, payable when the employee achieves a 13 week employment outcome;
- expanding the ‘Corporate Champions’ initiative to create an additional 250 projects which will include employers receiving a package of tailored assistance to help with recruitment and retention of mature age staff;
- a centralised process for employers to learn from each other’s experience through ‘Corporate Champions’, to be promoted to other employers through a series of national seminars; and

- continuation of the telephone based career advisory services up to 30 June 2016. This service offers career planning and resume appraisal designed to help mature age people explore new career pathways, find employment and plan their transition to retirement. The service also assists mature age workers with access to employment services and training opportunities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 18 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing and Social Inclusion.

**Economic Potential of Senior Australians — ‘Experience+ Training’, ‘On-the-Job Support’ and ‘Job Transition Support’ programs — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-8.5	-7.9	-	-

The Government will not proceed with the ‘Experience+ Training’, ‘On-the-Job Support’ and ‘Job Transition Support’ programs as the training and support currently delivered by these programs will now be supported by the *Investing in Experience – skills recognition and training* program. This measure will provide savings of \$16.4 million over two years.

Mature age workers who are currently receiving assistance from ‘On-the-Job Support’ and ‘Job Transition Support’ programs will continue to receive such assistance until they find a job or exit from the program. Employers approved for grants under the ‘Experience+ Training’ program would also have their grants processed under the original terms of their application.

See also the related expense measure titled *Economic Potential of Senior Australians – Investing in Experience – skills recognition and training*.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support the expansion of the Corporate Champions program and the introduction of the Government’s new \$1000 jobs bonus for employers who recruit and retain a worker 50 years or over for more than 3 months.

**Employment Services Arrangements — Job Placement Fee — changes to activity requirements and arrangements**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-40.8	-42.3	-40.6	-38.8

The Government has identified efficiencies in employment service arrangements that are estimated to deliver savings of \$162.6 million over four years.

From 1 July 2012 basic servicing arrangements provided to job seekers in Stream 1 employment services will be reduced. After 26 weeks registration with Job Services Australia (JSA), a minimum of 25 hours of additional support will be delivered over a one week period. Under these new arrangements provider service fees will be adjusted to recognise that the services and support provided to Stream 1 job seekers are less intensive than current arrangements.

Stream 1 job seekers have a low level of disadvantage, the greatest level of job readiness and are more likely to find a job on their own.

To encourage JSA providers to work with job ready job seekers from the beginning of their period of unemployment more intensively than they have done so in the past, from 1 September 2012, JSA providers will be immediately eligible to receive a Job Placement Fee when a Stream 1 job seeker registers with them and the provider has sourced the position from an employer and places them into that position (previously only available after three months of servicing).

Job seeker participation requirements and compliance arrangements will not change. Job seekers in receipt of Income Support Payments will be required to actively look for work and undertake activities to become job ready in order to continue to receive payments.

Job seeker support services provided through JSA are commensurate with their relative job readiness.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	10.0	13.6	16.3	15.8

The Government will provide \$55.7 million over four years to continue and expand the Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters (HIPPY).

An amount of \$13.8 million will be provided over three years to continue HIPPY in the existing 50 locations for one additional cohort of children, commencing in the 2013 calendar year and ending in 2014. This funding is expected to provide support to around 1,750 children.

The Government will also provide \$41.9 million over four years to extend HIPPY to an additional 50 sites with a focus on Indigenous remote sites. Support will be provided for around 2,250 additional children.

HIPPY is a two-year home-based parenting and early childhood enrichment program that focuses on empowering parents and carers to be their child's first teacher. The program aims to build the confidence and skills of parents and carers to create a positive learning environment in preparing their child for school. The program can also offer parents and carers a supported pathway to employment and local community leadership. Parents and their children enrol in the program in the year before the child commences formal school and participate in the program for two years.

### **Job Services Australia Outcome Payments — simplification**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-7.3	-12.0	-12.6	-12.4

The Government will simplify Job Services Australia (JSA) outcome payments by introducing a single outcome payment for placing a job seeker in employment for 13 and 26 weeks. The current Provider Brokered Outcome and Provider Assisted Outcome payments will be discontinued from 1 July 2012 and replaced with a new single Job Service Outcome (JSO) payment. The JSO payment rate will range from \$572 to \$2,673 and will reduce the potential for employment providers to make incorrect payment claims.

JSA outcome payments encourage providers to establish relationships and partnerships with employers in order to secure work for job seekers.

This measure will provide savings of \$44.3 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance Program — introduction of a package of reforms**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	33.6	37.1	61.7	85.2
Department of Human Services	0.5	5.8	0.6	0.5	0.5
Total - Expense	0.5	39.5	37.7	62.2	85.8

The Government will provide an additional \$225.6 million over five years to support increased demand for JETCCFA and better target assistance. From 2016-17 onwards, an additional \$65.9 million per annum will be provided for JETCCFA, with approximately \$19.3 million per annum for associated Child Care Rebate expenses.

Three key reforms will be introduced:

- JETCCFA will now be available for study at the accredited Certificate II or higher level (not above Graduate Diploma level), but not for repeat studies at the same qualification level except where further study addresses an identified skills shortage occupation on the Skills Shortage List – Australia, Masters or Doctoral degrees;
- Access to up to 50 hours per week of child care will be permitted where a parent undertakes at least 15 hours of work, study or training, or a maximum of 24 hours of child care for activities involving less than 15 hours per week; and
- The parental co-contribution to child care costs will be increased to \$1.00 per hour per child, 50 per cent of which can be recovered through the Child Care Rebate.

JETCCFA supports the Australian Government’s workforce participation and productivity agenda by assisting parents on eligible income support payments, predominantly sole parents, to enhance their skills by undertaking work, study or job search activities to enable them to enter or re-enter the workforce, without the cost of child care being a barrier.

#### Liquid assets waiting period — amendment

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Various Agencies	-	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.0
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	12.0	12.0	12.0
Total - Expense	-	1.2	13.1	13.0	13.0

The Government will increase the maximum reserve amount used in calculating the liquid assets waiting period to enable people who have become unemployed to access income support more quickly and retain more of their savings. This is estimated to cost \$40.4 million over four years.

From 1 July 2013, the Government will increase the maximum reserve amount for the liquid assets waiting period for recipients of particular income support payments. Liquid assets are assets in the form of cash or those which can be easily converted into cash, including shares and term deposits. A single person without dependents will now have an increased maximum reserve amount of \$5,000, while a person who is a member of a couple and/or has a dependent child will now have an increased maximum reserve amount of \$10,000. The change will affect applicants for Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance, Sickness Allowance and Austudy payments.



**Mature Age Participation — job seeker assistance**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.9	5.4	7.7	10.7

The Government will provide \$25.7 million over four years to assist mature age job seekers aged 55 years and over who are unemployed and would like help to re-enter the workforce. Under this measure, approximately 6,700 mature age job seekers on Stream 1, Stream 1 (limited), Stream 2 and Stream 3 of the Job Services Australia program in particular regions or industries, as prioritised by the Government, will receive a 'silver service' for intensive job preparations. This service includes a review of the person's skills and training needs, undertaking IT training including use of social media to support job search, career counselling, financial planning support, and support for resume preparation, interview skills and job search techniques.

This measure also includes incentives of up to \$500 per job seeker for items associated with job preparation, for example internet connection or other IT-related hardware.

**National Career Development Strategy under the National Partnership Agreement on Youth Attainment and Transitions — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-5.8	-7.6	-3.7	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$17.0 million over three years by ceasing funding for the National Career Development Strategy from 30 June 2012.

The National Career Development Strategy was introduced as part of the National Career Development program to assist young people aged 15-24 to transition from schooling into further education, training or employment.

The Government will continue to fund existing National Career Development initiatives under the National Partnership Agreement on Youth Attainment and Transitions which terminates on 31 December 2013.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate — operational efficiencies**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate	-	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0

The Government will establish the Office of the Fair Work Building Industry Inspectorate to replace the current Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner. The new agency will receive a funding allocation of \$124.8 million over five years from 2011-12.

Savings of \$12.0 million over four years will be achieved from improved operational efficiencies.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Parenting Payment — changed eligibility for 1 July 2006 grandfathered recipients**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	..	32.0	3.1	1.7	2.1
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-128.9	-207.8	-161.0	-227.0
Total - Expense	..	-96.9	-204.7	-159.3	-224.9

The Government will align Parenting Payment (PP) eligibility for all recipients. PP for existing recipients covered by grandfathering arrangements will be brought into alignment with all other PP recipients.

From 1 January 2013, all PP recipients who were on payment prior to 1 July 2006 will be assessed under the same eligibility requirements as new PP recipients. Under this measure grandfathered recipients with their youngest child aged six years or over (for partnered recipients) or eight years or over (for single recipients) will cease to be eligible for PP and will transition onto Newstart Allowance (NSA) unless they move into employment.

This measure extends the 2011-12 Budget measure *Building Australia's Future Workforce – incentives for single parents and Parenting Payment reforms* to the remaining cohort of grandfathered recipients. It will align PP eligibility for all parents, encourage re-entry into the workforce, and make the system fairer through reduced financial disincentives to engage in paid work.

Parents who transition onto NSA will be eligible for the more generous income test taper that will take effect from 1 January 2013. The new more generous income test reduces NSA payments by 40 cents (rather than the previous 50 cents) for every dollar of income earned above the income-free area (currently \$62 per fortnight).

The Government is providing \$3.2 million for professional career advisory services for single parents through employment service providers. This will assist single parents to improve their skills and also plan effectively for a transition into the workforce when they move off PP.

This measure is estimated to provide savings of \$685.8 million over four years to be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Essay Competition — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$25,000 in 2012-13 to establish the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Essay Competition as an additional special category in the 2012 National History Challenge.

The essay competition is part of a package of measures to mark the 60th anniversary of the accession to the throne of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The competition will be open to primary and secondary school students with a primary and secondary winner in each state and territory.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

Further information can be found in the press release of 7 February 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

**Remote Jobs and Communities Program — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	6.3	116.2	108.2	162.7
Department of Human Services	-	3.0	-5.2	-5.5	-5.5
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	0.1	-	-	-
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-190.8	-194.9	-198.6
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>-79.8</b>	<b>-92.1</b>	<b>-41.5</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>4.6</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>

The Government will provide \$745.6 million over four years to establish the new Remote Jobs and Communities Program (RJCP). The RJCP will commence on 1 July 2013 and replace existing remote employment services, delivered by multiple providers under a range of programs, including Job Services Australia (JSA), Disability Employment Services (DES) and the Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP). The RJCP will provide a more integrated and streamlined service intended to promote greater workforce participation, community engagement and development in remote Australia.

Under these new arrangements, regionally embedded service providers will work with job seekers in each remote region to deliver individually case-managed assistance and support. A Participation Account will be established to provide a flexible source of funding for providers to draw upon to help job seekers overcome vocational and non-vocational barriers. Job seekers will be engaged in meaningful activities in line with their participation requirements and to the level of their capacity. People who fail to participate will have their payments suspended.

Funding of \$44.4 million will also be provided over three years through the RJCP to establish the Remote Youth Leadership and Development Corps, which will provide young people under 25 years of age in remote communities with assistance to successfully transition from school to employment. Up to 1,000 places will be available under the program in 2013-14 and this will increase yearly by 1,000 places to a maximum of 3,000 places by 2015-16.

This measure also includes \$2.5 million in 2012-13 for an Expression of Interest process to select suitable RJCP service providers. A further \$54.8 million over four years from 1 July 2012 will be provided to: transition existing job seekers to the new RJCP; deliver training to service providers to improve the operation of the compliance framework in remote areas; upgrade IT systems to underpin the delivery of employment services; support remote service providers; and evaluate the RJCP.

The establishment of the RJCP will be funded by rolling in JSA, DES, the Indigenous Employment Program in remote Australia and the CDEP. This will provide overall savings of \$62.0 million over four years.

This measure will also provide \$2.5 million over two years from 1 July 2013 to transition existing CDEP participants in non-remote locations by ensuring that they continue to have the option to engage in CDEP-type activities delivered through JSA until 30 June 2015, after which these arrangements will be reviewed.

Under this measure \$0.1 million in 2012-13 will be provided to the Department of Finance and Deregulation for an Implementation Readiness Assessment that will be undertaken to advise on implementation risks.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 26 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and the Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development.

See also the related expense measures titled *Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment of the Community Development Fund and Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program – continuation of grandfathered wage arrangements* in the Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs portfolio.

### Review of Funding for Schooling — additional work

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	5.1	0.7	-	-

The Government will provide \$5.8 million over two years to conduct further policy and technical work to refine and verify elements of the recommendations made in the Review of Funding for Schooling. The need to conduct this work was noted in the final Review Report, as well as the Government's high-level response to the Review.

The Government is currently working through the reform proposals in collaboration with states and territories, and other education stakeholders. This measure also provides funding to support stakeholder consultations to inform this process.

**Schools — Australian Bacculaureate — postpone development**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-2.2	-4.5	-1.9

The Government will postpone the development of the Australian Bacculaureate for two years.

The Australian Bacculaureate is intended to be a voluntary internationally recognised qualification that will complement existing senior secondary school qualifications. Consultations for its development were due to begin in 2013-14 with rollout expected in 2015 or 2016. However, components of the National Curriculum that are intended to support the Australian Bacculaureate have been delayed, which in turn will delay the rollout of the Bacculaureate.

The measure will provide savings of \$8.5 million over three years, which will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Schools — Digital Education Revolution — project pool — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-24.4	-	-	-	-

The Government will reduce funding under the Digital Education Revolution (DER) project pool in 2011-12 to provide savings of \$24.4 million.

The DER project pool was established to provide funding for national initiatives that support the aims of the DER, such as the National Digital Learning Resources Framework. Funding of \$6.0 million in 2012-13 and \$4.0 million in 2013-14 will be available to continue funding these national initiatives.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government education and training priorities.

**Schools — National Rewards for Great Teachers — amendment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-

The Government has changed the eligibility requirements for the *Rewards for Great Teachers* program to link the payments with the National Professional Standards for Teachers.

The program will no longer provide a bonus payment of up to ten per cent of salary to the top ten per cent of teachers. Instead, teachers who achieve certification at the two highest levels of the Standards (Highly Accomplished and Lead Teacher) will be eligible to receive a one-off reward payment of \$7,500 and \$10,000 respectively. The payments will be funded from within the existing estimates for the *Rewards for Great Teachers* program.

Further information can be found in the press release of 25 November 2011 issued by the Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth.

**Schools — National Trade Cadetships — postponement**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-3.1	-9.4	-	-	-

The Government will postpone the implementation of the National Trade Cadetships (NTC) initiative by one year to 2013-14.

In 2011-12 an NTC Advisory Panel was formed under the leadership of Professor Denise Bradley to guide the development and implementation of the NTC initiative. A delay in the implementation of the initiative will allow the Government to incorporate the Panel's recommendations into the development of the program.

From 2013, students from Year 9 to 12 will be offered a new Cadetship as an option under the Australian Curriculum. The Cadetship will be delivered through local Trade Training Centres and other eligible venues.

This measure will provide savings of \$12.5 million over two years from 2011-12 to support other Government priorities.

**Schools — One Laptop per Child Australia**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	11.7	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide a one-off grant of \$11.7 million to One Laptop per Child (OLPC) Australia to support expansion of this initiative to primary school students in partnering regional and remote communities and low SES schools. This will help OLPC Australia to roll out additional custom-built laptops to thousands of primary school students and to provide helpdesk and online support to participating schools.

See also the revenue measure titled *Philanthropy – updating the list of specifically listed deductible gift recipients*.

**Schools — Reward Payments for School Improvement — reduction**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-4.4	-8.9
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	-8.1	-16.2
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-12.5	-25.0

The Government will reduce the reward payments payable to primary and secondary schools under the proposed Reward for School Improvement program. Reward payments will decrease from \$75,000 to \$50,000 for primary schools and from \$100,000 to \$75,000 for secondary schools. The number of schools receiving payments is unchanged.

The Rewards for School Improvement Program will provide payments to schools that have shown the most improved performance over 12 months, based on the proposed National School Improvement Framework.

This measure will provide savings of \$37.5 million over two years to support other Government priorities.



**Schools — Student Resilience and Wellbeing Program — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-1.3	-2.1	-2.4	-4.4	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$10.3 million over four years by consolidating the National School Drug Education Strategy, and the Values Education and Values Drugs programs into one program to create the Student Resilience and Wellbeing Program.

Consolidation of these programs will achieve administrative and financial efficiencies and allow for the development of a national approach to building student resilience and wellbeing while still supporting the policy intent of the original programs.

Savings under this measure will offset an increase in funding to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority for the development of, amongst other things, a Health and Physical Education Curriculum. The curriculum will provide opportunities to support students to develop the resilience, knowledge and skills to take responsibility for their health and wellbeing.

**Schools — Supporting implementation of the More Support for Students with Disabilities Initiative**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	0.5	0.3	..	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-0.5	-0.3	..	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.0 million to support government and non-government education authorities to implement the National Partnership for More Support for Students with Disabilities. Of this funding, \$228,000 will be provided to non-government schools. This funding has been reallocated from the departmental funding provided to the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

The National Partnership for More Support for Students with Disabilities provides funding to contribute to improvements in the learning experiences and educational outcomes of students with disabilities by strengthening the capacity and expertise of schools and teachers to provide these students with additional support.

### Schools — Teach Next Program changes

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	..	0.1	0.1	..	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-2.1	..	..	-	-
Total - Expense	-2.1	..	0.1	..	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	..	..	..	..

The Government will modify the Teach Next Program to provide additional support to facilitate involvement in the program. This additional support is offset by reducing the number of participants to reflect a more realistic number of placement offers expected to be secured for 2012. Overall, this will result in savings of \$2.0 million over five years.

Teach Next was allocated \$18.1 million in the 2011-12 Budget to establish a new pathway into teaching for 450 career-change professionals with relevant qualifications and experience to address known critical teacher shortages in specialised areas such as mathematics and science.

Following consultation with stakeholders and providers, the Government has agreed to provide additional financial assistance to:

- program participants to assist with study costs and relocation;
- teacher employers to support participant selection, placement and mentor release; and
- providers to assist in meeting the costs of recruitment and course delivery.

Participants may also be eligible for a FEE-HELP loan to fund the difference between the Commonwealth's contribution and the cost of the course.

The changes to the program will also revise participant numbers downwards from 450 to 395 and will be managed in four separate intakes over the four years of the program.

Further information can be found in the Teach Next 2012-15 Program Guidelines on the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations website.

**Schools — Teach Remote — Stage Two**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	3.3	5.7	5.3	-

The Government will provide \$14.3 million over three years to expand the Teach Remote Program, an initiative of the National Alliance of Remote Indigenous Schools (NARIS). NARIS consists of 170 schools from Western Australia, the Northern Territory, South Australia, Queensland and New South Wales, enrolling around 16,500 Indigenous students.

The Teach Remote Program is focused on establishing a remote teacher network and standardising professional development for teachers in core subjects relating to the teaching of Indigenous students in remote communities.

Under Stage 2 of the program, the Government will provide support for:

- salary supplements of \$10,000 in the first year and \$20,000 in the second year to attract and retain up to 200 teachers; and
- one-off payments of \$1,000 to teachers to undertake professional development training in best practice in working with Indigenous students in remote settings.

The Government will also provide additional funding to NARIS to maintain existing streams of work and to undertake new work such as resolving teacher registration and mobility issues.

**Seasonal Labour Mobility Program with Pacific Island Countries and East Timor  
— establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.5	1.1	1.6	1.8
Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Citizenship</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>0.6</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>1.0</i>	<i>1.3</i>

The Government will provide \$18.0 million over four years to establish a seasonal labour mobility program that will provide workers from Pacific Island countries and East Timor with the opportunity to work in selected Australian industries experiencing unmet demand for labour. The program will build on the existing Pacific Seasonal Worker Pilot Scheme in the horticultural industry.

The program will commence on 1 July 2012 with the following countries invited to participate: East Timor, Kiribati, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu.

Employers will only be able to recruit seasonal workers if they can demonstrate that they have an unmet demand for labour and a demonstrated commitment to Australian job seekers. Up to 12,000 places over four years will be available, with 10,450 places available in the horticultural industry and 1,550 places over three years trialled in the broader agriculture, fisheries and tourism industries.

Funding for this measure includes \$7.2 million from the provision within the Contingency Reserve for expanded aid funding and \$10.8 million from within the existing resources of the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations, the Fair Work Ombudsman, the Department of Immigration and Citizenship, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Australian Agency for International Development.

The measure is also expected to lead to a revenue gain of \$3.7 million over four years resulting from increased numbers of visa application fees.

For further information see the related revenue measure titled *Seasonal Labour Mobility Program – improved tax treatment*.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 18 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Financial Services and Superannuation, the Minister for Foreign Affairs, and the Minister for Resources and Energy and Minister for Tourism.

**Social and Community Services — Queensland pay equity regulation — back pay**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	3.5	3.5	3.0	-	-
Department of Health and Ageing	2.3	2.3	2.0	-	-
Attorney-General's Department	1.1	1.1	0.9	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	0.6	0.6	0.5	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	0.2	0.2	0.2	-	-
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	0.1	0.1	0.1	-	-
Department of the Treasury	7.7	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	15.5	7.7	6.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$29.9 million over three years to assist Queensland social and community services sector employers meet their obligations under the new Australian Government regulation for back pay to employees in the sector who were employed between 27 March 2011 and 29 February 2012.

The regulation affects certain Queensland social and community services sector employers that would have transitioned back to the state workplace relations system from 27 March 2011 in the absence of the state's referral of workplace relations powers to the Australian Government. Under the regulation such employers are required to back pay affected employees the difference between the amount paid during that period and the amount that would have been payable if their wages had been set by the 2009 Queensland Industrial Relations Commission's decision on the State award.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 10 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations, Financial Services and Superannuation and the Parliamentary Secretary for School Education and Workplace Relations.

### Spreading the Benefits of the Boom — new income support supplement

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	113.2	230.8	236.4	242.1
Various Agencies	-	39.3	67.7	68.8	70.4
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
Total - Expense	-	152.7	298.9	305.7	313.0

The Government will provide \$1.1 billion over four years for a new supplement for eligible income support recipients to assist with cost of living pressures.

The supplement will be an ongoing, non-taxable payment to recipients of Newstart Allowance, Sickness Allowance, Youth Allowance, Austudy, ABSTUDY, Special Benefit, Parenting Payment Single, Parenting Payment Partnered, Transitional Farm Family Payment and the Exceptional Circumstances Relief Payment. The new supplement will provide \$210 per annum for eligible singles and \$175 per annum for each member of an eligible couple.

The supplement will be paid in two instalments, in March and September each year, with the first payment commencing on 20 March 2013.

### Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Reducing Substance Abuse Program — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-0.5	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0

The Government will redirect savings of \$3.3 million over four years (\$9.5 million over ten years) from ceasing three pilot projects under the Reducing Substance Abuse Program at the end of current contractual arrangements on 31 December 2012.

The pilot projects have been testing ways the Youth Connections service providers, engaged under the Youth Connections Program, can provide at risk Indigenous youth with diversionary education activities that form a pathway back into education, training or employment.

The Government's support for other programs such as the broader Petrol Sniffing Strategy more adequately responds to addressing substance abuse and covers a larger geographic region across Indigenous communities.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other spending on Indigenous priorities in the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

See also the related expense measures in the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

### **Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Building a Quality School Workforce**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	17.6	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$187.3 million over four years (\$411.8 million over ten years) to continue funding for three initiatives to support improved schooling outcomes for Indigenous children.

The measure includes funding for:

- 200 positions in schools in remote NT;
- professional development for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff to increase the number of staff with education qualifications, support and programs to enable teachers and students to achieve improved outcomes in literacy and numeracy, and professional development and support to schools to assist students with Otitis Media (middle ear disease) and Conductive Hearing and learning difficulties; and
- the construction of 103 teacher houses in remote NT communities.

The measure will help ensure that the Council of Australia Governments' Closing the Gap targets on literacy and numeracy, year 12 or equivalent attainment and employment participation are achieved by 2020.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 2 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for School Education, the Minister for Indigenous Health and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Closing the Gap — Intensive Literacy and Numeracy Programs for Underachieving Indigenous Students Initiative — re-direction of funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-8.0	-16.1	-16.1	-16.1

The Government will redirect savings of \$56.3 million over four years (\$152.9 million over ten years) from ceasing the Closing the Gap – Intensive Literacy and Numeracy Programs for Underachieving Indigenous Students initiative at the end of current contracts on 31 December 2012.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other spending on Indigenous priorities in the Government’s *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

The package includes investment in quality teaching initiatives to support improvements in literacy and numeracy for Indigenous students.

See also the related expense measures in the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Community Festivals for Education Engagement — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-1.5	-3.1	-3.1	-3.1

The Government will suspend the Community Festivals for Education Engagement Program for four years from 31 December 2012, providing savings of \$10.7 million over four years.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Indigenous priorities in the Government’s *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

See also the related expense measures in the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.



**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Continued support for Creches established under the Northern Territory Emergency Response**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	2.7	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$11.4 million over four years (\$30.2 million over ten years) to continue operation beyond 30 June 2012 of nine creches in remote Indigenous communities, established as part of the Northern Territory Emergency Response. The creches provide access for Indigenous children to early childhood education as well as other care programs including immunisation and health screening, parenting support and information, nutrition programs, and child abuse prevention and awareness education.

This measure is part of the Government’s *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 29 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Early Childhood and Childcare, the Minister for Indigenous Health, and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Indigenous Youth Leadership Program — suspension**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-0.9	-3.0	-7.2	-11.6

The Government will redirect savings of \$22.8 million over four years from suspending new enrolments in the Indigenous Youth Leadership Program from the end of current contractual arrangements in December 2012.

The program will continue to support all current program participants to complete Year 12 or their three year tertiary scholarships, as well as 210 new scholars in Years 9, 10 and 11 in the 2013 school year.

The Indigenous Youth Leadership Program is aimed at improving access to quality education for remote and regional students to help them complete Year 12 and/or a university degree.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other spending on Indigenous priorities in the Government’s *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

See also the related expense measures in the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Indigenous Youth Mobility Program — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-6.0	-7.1	-7.2	-7.4

The Government will redirect savings of \$27.7 million over four years from reducing funding for the Indigenous Youth Mobility Program (IYMP).

Places available through the IYMP will be reduced from 324 to 274 per year, commencing at the start of 2013. The number of enrolments will return to the original level of 324 from the second half of the 2016 calendar year. Participants who need to continue beyond 2012 to complete their degree or training will continue to be supported.

The IYMP provides post-school pathways for remote and regional Indigenous students to assist them to obtain vocational education and training qualifications and/or a university degree.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other spending on Indigenous priorities in the Government’s *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

See also the related expense measures in the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — School Nutrition Program — continuation of funding arrangements**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	9.2	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Human Services	-	0.3	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	9.6	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$38.5 million over four years (\$64.1 million over ten years) to continue the School Nutrition Program (SNP). The SNP will continue to contribute to improving educational outcomes in the 67 target schools in remote Northern Territory by providing nutritious breakfasts, lunches and snacks that will assist to improve the ability of students to participate in school and learning.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 2 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, Minister for School Education, Early Childhood and Youth, Minister for Indigenous Health and Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

## FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS

### Australian Disability Enterprises Sector — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	10.3	13.3	16.6	19.4

The Government will provide \$59.6 million over four years to Australian Disability Enterprises to continue supporting workers with disability across Australia participating in supported employment.

This measure provides ongoing funding that extends the *Australian Disability Enterprises Sector – additional funding* measure announced in the 2011-12 Budget.

### Australian Working Life Residency — strengthening requirements

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.6	-3.6	-19.5	-32.6
Department of Human Services	-	0.5	2.6	0.6	0.6
Total - Expense	-	1.1	-1.0	-18.9	-32.1
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	-	..	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$50.8 million over four years by amending the Australian Working Life Residence (AWLR) rules applying to the Age Pension, from 1 January 2014. The new arrangements will strengthen Australian residency requirements and improve the equity of assessments and bring them more into line with international practice.

Under the change, Age Pension recipients who are overseas for more than 26 weeks will be paid their maximum entitlement of pension only if their AWLR is 35 years or more, rather than 25 years as applies under current arrangements. Pension recipients with less than 35 years AWLR will be paid a proportional rate. Pensioners overseas on the date of implementation will not be affected by this change unless they return to Australia for at least 26 weeks.

In addition, all partnered pensioners residing overseas will be paid based on their own AWLR rather than their partner's AWLR. Grandfathering provisions will protect existing customers who are currently being paid under an international agreement.

### Cape York Welfare Reform Trial — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	3.7	3.7	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	1.2	1.2	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.0	1.0	-	-
Total - Expense	-	5.9	6.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$11.8 million over two years to extend the Cape York Welfare Reform Trial in the communities of Aurukun, Coen, Hope Vale and Mossman Gorge until 31 December 2013.

The trial will continue initiatives focussing on rebuilding social norms, improving education, and encouraging engagement in the real economy.

### Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) program — continuation of grandfathered wage arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	..	9.6	40.4	38.9	38.7
Torres Strait Regional Authority	-	5.4	4.9	4.8	4.7
Department of Human Services	0.1	-1.7	-1.5	-1.4	-1.4
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-1.4	-38.8	-36.3	-35.3	-35.3
Total - Expense	-1.4	-25.4	7.5	6.9	6.8

The Government will provide \$224.6 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$38.1 million in 2016-17) to continue grandfathering arrangements for Community Development Employment Projects (CDEP) wages until 30 June 2017, with CDEP wages to be progressively removed from 1 April 2017. This measure will also continue the CDEP Participant Supplement of \$20.80 per fortnight to eligible CDEP wage participants.

The continuation of grandfathered CDEP wage arrangements for a further five years will support Indigenous people in remote communities with work and training opportunities. It will also provide stability to CDEP wage participants as they move to the new Remote Jobs and Communities Program.

This measure will be partially resourced by cost reductions of \$162.2 million over six years from 2011-12, associated with the delay in the transition of CDEP wage participants to income support:

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- \$150.0 million from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR);
- \$5.2 million from the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA); and
- \$7.0 million from the Department of Human Services.

The remaining cost of this measure (\$62.8 million) will be fully offset over six years to 2016-17 by:

- \$34.8 million in 2012-13 from the FaHCSIA CDEP program;
- \$18.0 million over five years from 2012-13 from the DEEWR Indigenous Employment Program in remote Australia; and
- \$10.0 million over five years from 2012-13 within the existing resources of the DEEWR.

See also the related expense measure titled *Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment* in the DEEWR Portfolio.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 26 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and the Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development.

**Community Investment Program — reduction**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-2.0	-	-	-

The Government will redirect \$2 million in 2012-13 from the Community Investment Program (CIP) to support other Government priorities. Around \$182.8 million will remain in the CIP over the forward estimates.

### Consolidation of the Indigenous Home Ownership Programs

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Indigenous Business Australia	-	31.7	6.7	6.5	6.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Indigenous Business Australia	-	-1.7	0.3	0.6	0.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Indigenous Business Australia	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will consolidate funding for the Home Ownership on Indigenous Land (HOIL) program and the Home Ownership Program (HOP) into a single Indigenous Home Ownership Program. This will enable more Indigenous Australians living in urban and regional areas to access concessional home loans.

This will provide an additional 275 concessional loans in 2012-13 and a total of 545 concessional loans over four years.

The measure will enable greater flexibility in the use of housing funds to improve the housing outcomes for Indigenous Australians.

The fiscal balance impact includes the concessional component of the concessional loans. The concessional component does not impact on the underlying cash balance. This treatment reflects budget accounting standards and is consistent with the treatment of similar investments elsewhere in the budget.

### Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians — community support

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$10 million to support activities that build the community's awareness and understanding of constitutional recognition of Indigenous Australians.

This work will be led by Reconciliation Australia, supported by a reference group of business and community groups, the Australian Human Rights Commission and the National Congress of Australia's First People and members of the Expert Panel on Constitutional Recognition of Indigenous Australians.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 15 February 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

### **Cultural Horsemanship Program for Indigenous Youth**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$75,000 in 2011-12 to fund the Mona Aboriginal Corporation for a ten-week Cultural Horsemanship Program for the Indigenous youth of Mount Isa.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

### **Digital Productivity — remote hearing and vision services for children — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.9 million over four years from 2011-12 to expand the Remote Hearing and Vision Services for Children initiative. This initiative will assist an additional 125 children with hearing and/or vision impairment in regional and remote Australia, building on the 100 children already supported by the Government.

The initiative provides access to information, guidance, support and skills development from qualified allied health professionals through video conferencing and online services for children with disability and their families living in communities where such expertise is scarce.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the press release of 22 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

This measure is part of the Government's broader digital economy strategy.



### Family Tax Benefit Part A — change to age of eligibility

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	6.3	1.1	1.0	1.1
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	3.0	6.0	6.1	6.2
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.2	2.7	2.5	2.6
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.4
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-56.8	-112.1	-112.9	-114.9
Total - Expense	-	-46.6	-103.5	-104.6	-106.4
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

From 1 January 2013, the Government will limit eligibility for Family Tax Benefit (FTB) Part A to young people under 18 years of age or, where a young person remains in secondary school, the end of the calendar year in which they turn 19. Individuals who no longer qualify for FTB Part A may be eligible to receive Youth Allowance subject to usual eligibility requirements. This change will focus payments in the family assistance system on families with children who are at school, while Youth Allowance will become the primary form of assistance to eligible young adults aged 18 and over.

This measure will provide savings of \$360.9 million over four years (including capital of \$0.2 million in 2012-13).

This reform implements another recommendation of the *Australia's Future Tax System* review, and builds on the Government's growing record of tax and transfer reform.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### Glen Innes Open Door Youth Centre — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	0.1	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$80,000 in 2011-12 towards the Glen Innes Open Door Youth Centre.

The Open Door Youth Centre will provide a safe, open environment, for young people aged 8 to 18 years, where various after school activities and programs are offered; and provide referrals to other programs and agencies where appropriate.

### Household Assistance Package — information

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	14.0	22.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$36.1 million over two years for an information campaign on the Household Assistance Package, a key element of the Clean Energy Future Plan. The information will raise awareness and understanding across the Australian community of the nature and timing of the payments, tax cuts and entitlements that will be available under the package. Information will be provided through print, radio and television and the Clean Energy Future website.

### Income Management — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	9.9	0.1	3.1	-
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	6.0	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	15.9	0.1	3.1	-

The Government will provide \$19.1 million to continue income management trial measures. These include extending the BasicsCard and a one year extension of income management in Western Australia.

Funding of \$5.6 million will also be provided from 2012-13 to 2014-15 to continue the provision of BasicsCards to income support recipients. Existing BasicsCards, introduced in 2008, are due to expire on 30 June 2013. BasicsCards are the primary payment mechanism used under income management for clients to access their income managed money for the purchase of certain priority goods and services.

The Western Australian Trial, which provides Child Protection Income Management and Voluntary Income Management services to people in metropolitan Perth and the Kimberley Region of Western Australia, will continue until 30 June 2013 at a cost of \$13.5 million. This trial commenced in November 2008. The measure includes the continuation of incentive payments and matched savings payments, as well as \$5.0 million to continue Commonwealth financial counselling and money management services. These services are available to income management clients and to the broader community, with priority given to vulnerable people.

### Julia Creek, Queensland — seniors housing and community services

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	4.7	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.7 million in 2011-12 to build a minimum of eight purpose-built housing units to meet the need for affordable and appropriate accommodation for senior residents of Julia Creek, Queensland. The funding will also provide for the construction of a purpose-built Community Activities Centre, co-located with the seniors housing and within proximity of the Julia Creek Hospital and Ambulance Centre.

### Means test exemptions for the Western Australian Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	5.6	5.7	5.9	6.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.4
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total - Expense	-	6.2	6.3	6.4	6.6

The Government will provide \$25.5 million over four years to continue the income test exemption for the Western Australian Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme. The exemption is due to terminate on 30 June 2012. Under the exemption, the value of the Country Fuel Card and the Cost of Living Rebate Scheme is not assessable under the social security or veterans' income tests.

### Municipal and Essential Services — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	43.4	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$43.4 million in 2012-13 to continue the Municipal and Essential Services Program for one year.

The measure will supplement the efforts of State governments to deliver basic municipal and essential services, including the operation and maintenance of community power, water and sewerage services, garbage collection and disposal, internal road maintenance, landscaping and dust control, animal and environmental health programs to around 350 remote and regional Indigenous communities in Western Australia, Queensland, South Australia, Victoria and Tasmania.

### National Disability Insurance Scheme — First Stage

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	58.5	139.2	281.3	331.0
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs</i>	-	25.4	95.1	64.1	32.0

The Australian, state and territory governments have committed to working towards a National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) and agreed their shared responsibility for this important reform.

The Australian Government will provide \$1.0 billion over four years for the first stage of an NDIS. This will deliver personalised care and support for up to 10,000 people with significant and permanent disability from 2013-14 and expand to support up to 20,000 people from 2014-15. Eligible individuals will be entitled to reasonable and necessary care and support that reflects their individual circumstances. The Government will provide funding of \$342.5 million over three years from 2013-14 for this purpose.

This first stage of an NDIS will occur in up to four launch locations, to be announced following negotiations with state and territory governments. The Government will be seeking to share the costs with state and territory governments of individual care and support for people with a significant and permanent disability, and will bear the full remaining costs of this initiative.

The Government will provide funding of:

- \$240.3 million over four years from 2012-13 to build and operate the information technology system required to collect and analyse data to monitor client outcomes and measure the performance of the new arrangements;
- \$154.8 million over three years from 2013-14 to employ Local Area Coordinators to provide a more individually focused approach to delivering assistance to people with a disability;

- \$122.6 million over four years from 2012-13 to prepare the disability sector for the new way of delivering disability services with a focus on launch locations;
- \$58.6 million over three years from 2013-14 to conduct assessments of people with a disability in launch locations to determine their eligibility and the appropriate level of individual care and support;
- \$53.0 million over four years from 2012-13 to establish a new National Disability Transition Agency to coordinate the implementation and manage the delivery of care and support to people with a disability in the launch locations from 2013-14;
- \$18.3 million over four years from 2012-13 to continue the Commonwealth Taskforce responsible for providing policy advice to the government on the design, governance and funding of an NDIS;
- \$11.7 million over four years from 2012-13 to undertake research into early interventions to improve support for people with a disability and to support the implementation of an NDIS, and provide training of Local Area Coordinators; and
- \$5.2 million over three years from 2013-14 to evaluate the outcomes being achieved in launch locations to inform further decision making.

This builds on the \$19.5 million announced by the Government in December 2011 to design the launch of an NDIS.

Lessons learned in proceeding with the launch and negotiations with the states and territories will inform when and how the Government proceeds to a full scheme.

## Portability of Australian Government Payments

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	3.8	1.4	1.4	1.4
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-0.7	-1.4	-1.4	-1.4
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-0.9	-1.9	-2.0	-2.0
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-15.7	-34.0	-35.9	-37.7
Total - Expense	-	-13.4	-36.0	-38.1	-39.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$127.2 million over four years from 2012-13 by reducing the overseas portability period. From 1 January 2013, the period of time that people who travel overseas will continue to be paid will be reduced from 13 to 6 weeks for most income support and family payment recipients. Beneficiaries who are outside Australia on the date of implementation will retain the 13 week portability of their payments until they return to Australia. The Age Pension will be excluded as it can be paid overseas indefinitely, once certain criteria are met.

Some payments such as Parenting Payment and Family Tax Benefit also have a requirement which means that the portability period is not reset until the person has returned to Australia for a period of 13 weeks. This return period will also be reduced to 6 weeks.

This measure affects the following payments and benefits: Disability Support Pension, Parenting Payment, Carer Payment, Carer Allowance, Widow B Pension, Wife pension, Widow Allowance, Partner Allowance, Youth Allowance (student), Austudy, Mobility Allowance, Telephone Allowance, Pension Supplement, Utilities Allowance, Seniors Supplement, Clean Energy Supplement, Low Income Supplement, Concession Cards, Family Assistance, and Paid Parental Leave. Family Tax Benefit Part A payments above the base rate will be reduced to the base rate after 6 weeks of a temporary absence from Australia.

**Remote Jobs and Communities Program — establishment of the Community Development Fund**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	38.7	48.8	50.0

The Government will provide \$137.5 million over three years from 1 July 2013 (with \$50.0 million per annum ongoing from 2015-16) to establish a Community Development Fund under the new Remote Jobs and Communities Program. This Fund will support capacity building in remote communities by providing one-off grants to successful applicants for large community development and capacity building projects and activities including: governance and leadership training; larger scale community infrastructure; and housing and infrastructure maintenance programs.

This funding will include up to \$1.2 million in 2013-14 to support the development and agreement of an estimated 85 Community Action Plans aimed at building community capacity and stability, and increasing the economic and employment opportunities available to residents.

Establishment of the Community Development Fund will be funded by the termination of Job Services Australia, Disability Employment Services, the Indigenous Employment Program in remote Australia and the Community Development Employment Project program.

Further information can be found in the press release of 26 April 2012 jointly issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations and the Minister for Indigenous Employment and Economic Development.

See also related expense measure titled *Remote Jobs and Communities Program – establishment* in the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio.

## Replacing the Education Tax Refund with a Schoolkids Bonus

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	1,324.1	1,264.0	1,218.0	1,249.5	1,284.3
Various Agencies	3.8	10.7	9.8	9.7	10.1
Australian Taxation Office	-812.0	-852.0	-857.0	-884.0	-901.0
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>515.9</b>	<b>422.8</b>	<b>370.8</b>	<b>375.2</b>	<b>393.5</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Various Agencies	0.5	3.4	0.1	0.1	-

The Government will provide \$2.1 billion over five years for a new Schoolkids Bonus to provide guaranteed support to families with the costs of their children's education. This will replace the Education Tax Refund (ETR), which is currently available as a refundable tax offset. The Schoolkids Bonus will be made in two equal instalments in January and July each year commencing January 2013. As a transitional arrangement, the ETR in 2011-12 will be replaced by a one-off lump sum payment to eligible families in June 2012. Making these payments automatic will increase assistance to the many eligible families currently missing out on some or any ETR.

From January 2013, every family with a child at school will be guaranteed \$410 per annum for each primary school student and \$820 per annum for each secondary school student. All eligible families will receive the full rate of payment and will no longer need to keep receipts as proof of expense, or wait until tax time.

Eligibility for the payment will remain open to families with children enrolled and attending school who are in receipt of Family Tax Benefit Part A (FTB A) or other qualifying income support payments or allowances under a prescribed educational scheme that precludes the family from receiving FTB A.

This reform implements another recommendation of the *Australia's Future Tax System* review and builds on the Government's growing record of tax reform.



### School Enrolment and Attendance in Queensland — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	0.6	0.7	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	0.3	0.8	-	-
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.2	0.2	-	-
Total - Expense	-	1.1	1.7	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.8 million over two years to continue until 30 June 2014 the School Enrolment and Attendance measure (SEAM) in Queensland.

SEAM in Queensland covers a total of 30 schools as part of the *Welfare Payments Reform – child protection pilot and school attendance and enrolment pilot* measure announced in the 2008-09 Budget and extended in the 2010-11 Budget. This measure places conditions on income support recipients to ensure compulsory school aged children are enrolled at school and attend regularly.

### Services and Support for People with Disability program — Job Capacity Assessment efficiencies

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-5.0	-	-	-

The Government will redirect \$5.0 million in 2012-13 from the Services and Support for People with Disability program to support other Government priorities. This will be achieved through efficiencies in the delivery of Job Capacity Assessments. Over \$1.3 billion will remain in the Services and Support for People with Disability program over the forward estimates.

**Spreading the Benefits of the Boom — increasing the rate of Family Tax Benefit Part A**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.3	602.9	615.4	625.8

The Government will provide \$1.8 billion over four years to ease the cost of living pressures on families by increasing the maximum payment rate of Family Tax Benefit Part A (FTB-A) by \$300 per annum for families with one child and \$600 per annum for families with two or more children. For families receiving the base rate of FTB-A, the increase will be \$100 per annum for families with one child and \$200 per annum for families with two or more children. The increased rate will come into effect from 1 July 2013.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — child, youth, family and community wellbeing**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	15.5	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	13.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	28.8	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$141.6 million over four years (\$326.3 million over ten years) for measures to support child, youth, women’s and men’s wellbeing and the continuation of eight programs under the Alice Springs Transformation Plan.

The primary focus of this measure will be to bundle child, youth, women’s and men’s programs under an expansion of the remote Communities for Children model to a further 15 priority communities (that will also provide outreach to smaller communities and outstations) and to continue support for the Youth in Communities program in 30 priority communities. Funding will also provide for the construction of new staff accommodation in some of the Communities for Children sites.

In addition, funding will provide for Remote Aboriginal Family and Community Workers, as well as the continuation of two Mobile Child Protection Teams and operational funding for existing safe houses. The eight community-driven projects under the Alice Springs Transformation Plan will also continue, with the aim of addressing school attendance and education, child neglect, domestic violence and alcohol abuse in the Alice Springs town camps and Alice Springs municipality.

A portion of the total funding for the measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 29 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Early Childhood and Childcare, the Minister for Indigenous Health, and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

### **Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — community safety and justice**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Attorney-General's Department	-	30.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	21.3	nfp	nfp	nfp
Australian Crime Commission	-	2.6	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.8	nfp	nfp	nfp
Australian Federal Police	-	0.7	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	55.4	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$239.6 million over four years (\$619.3 million over ten years) to maintain a policing presence in remote areas of the Northern Territory, to construct permanent remote police stations, and to continue the operation of the Substance Abuse Intelligence Desks and Dog Operations Units, community night patrols and the Indigenous legal assistance service providers. It will also maintain the presence of Australian Federal Police officers on the National Indigenous Violence and Child Abuse Intelligence Taskforce for two years.

A portion of the total funding for this measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 28 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Attorney-General, the Minister for Indigenous Health, and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

### Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — healthy homes

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	4.9	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	1.5	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	6.4	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$54.2 million over four years to continue initiatives to help improve housing for Indigenous Australians, including:

- the removal of asbestos-containing materials and the development of asbestos management plans for communities where the Commonwealth has assumed potential liability for injury or illness related to asbestos, including in 64 communities where the Commonwealth has five-year leases;
- case management and support under the Alice Springs Transformation Plan for people with complex social housing needs who are at risk of becoming homeless; and
- the negotiation of voluntary leases over social housing and other Commonwealth assets in 73 communities where the Commonwealth has assets and/or five-year leases.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

### Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — improving Indigenous housing in the Northern Territory

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	22.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-22.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	-	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$22.4 million in 2012-13 to support further improvements to Indigenous housing in the Northern Territory.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — municipal and essential services in the Northern Territory — extension**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	5.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-20.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	-15.0	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$67.8 million over four years (\$206.4 million over ten years) to continue to support the provision of municipal and essential services in the Northern Territory. This will include the funding of core essential services for homelands, outstations and town camps such as power, water, sewerage and maintenance of access roads to approximately 9,000 people living in small communities across the Northern Territory. In addition to the Commonwealth contribution, the Northern Territory Government will provide \$15 million in 2012-13.

The cost of this measure will be partially offset by savings within the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs of \$20 million in 2012-13.

A portion of the total funding for the measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 onwards as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 28 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Indigenous Health, and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

### Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — remote engagement and coordination

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	26.7	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	4.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	31.0	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	2.2	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	-	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Capital	-	2.2	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$149.2 million over four years (\$413.4 million over ten years) to improve Government coordination, communication and engagement with remote Indigenous communities through the establishment of a Remote Engagement Officer Network consisting of Government Engagement Coordinators and an increased number of Indigenous Engagement Officers. This funding will also provide for the upgrade of up to 57 community properties. In addition, it will provide continued support for the Northern Territory Aboriginal Interpreter Service and for leadership, governance and capacity building.

A portion of the total funding for the measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

### Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — tackling alcohol abuse

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	-

The Government will provide funding over ten years to tackle alcohol abuse in Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory.

This measure provides funding to support communities by employing twelve alcohol licensing inspectors, replacing existing signage, and continuing the Alcohol Data Unit established in 2007.

This measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Part of the funding for this measure was a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

**Tackling Problem Gambling — extra support for problem gamblers and their families**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	4.8	6.9	7.0	7.2

The Government will provide \$25.9 million over four years to support problem gamblers and their families.

From 1 January 2013, an additional 50 counsellor positions will be funded through the Commonwealth Financial Counselling Service to help problem gamblers and their families to better manage their finances. The counsellors will undertake specialised training and will also work closely with local gaming venues and state and territory gambling counselling services.

The funding will also expand the reach of the Gambling Help Online website. This will make it easier to sign up for online counselling sessions and improve the information available for families. It will also improve access for smart phones users and people with a disability.

This measure is part of the *Tackling Problem Gambling* package announced by the Prime Minister on 21 January 2012.

### Tackling Problem Gambling — trial of mandatory pre-commitment technology in the Australian Capital Territory

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will, in partnership with the ACT Government and ClubsACT, conduct a 12 month trial of mandatory pre-commitment technology in the ACT, commencing in early 2013. The trial will test the reliability of the technology and determine whether it delivers sufficient benefit to gamblers and their families to proceed to a national roll-out.

The measure will provide Commonwealth funding for:

- the necessary infrastructure to conduct the trial;
- a venue readiness and capacity package to support clubs participating in the trial;
- the ACT Government's increased administration to conduct the trial and meet additional demand for counselling services during the trial; and
- trial facilitation costs, including engaging independent bodies for the trial design, management and evaluation, and independent financial auditors.

A Committee will be established to oversee the implementation and the conduct of the trial with representation from a number of stakeholder groups, including the ACT Government, ClubsACT and the not-for-profit sector. The evaluation report is to be finalised within six months of the conclusion of the trial, with the results to be reviewed by the Productivity Commission.

Expenditure for this measure is not for publication to protect the interests of the Commonwealth during the tender processes for several elements of the trial.

This measure is part of the *Tackling Problem Gambling* package announced by the Prime Minister on 21 January 2012.

### Torres Strait Major Infrastructure Program Stage 5

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Torres Strait Regional Authority	-	2.8	7.6	7.4	3.4

The Government will provide \$21.2 million over four years to deliver environmental health infrastructure in the Torres Strait region under stage five of the Torres Strait Major Infrastructure Program.



This will include infrastructure for: water supply and reticulation, sanitation and wastewater; community roads and drainage; and serviced housing lots, and will improve the health and wellbeing of Indigenous people living in the Torres Strait region.

The Australian Government's contribution of \$20 million will be matched by the Queensland Government. The additional \$1.2 million provided by the Australian Government is to cover administrative support costs.

### **Tripling the tax free threshold — Family Tax Benefit and the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	1.4	5.8	7.3	4.5	3.9
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.5	0.3	0.1	0.1
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>6.3</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>1.6</i>	<i>0.8</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>

The Government will provide \$27.2 million (including \$3.2 million in capital funding) to streamline income reporting processes for recipients of Family Tax Benefit (FTB) and for holders of the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CSHC) who are no longer required to lodge a tax return as a result of the Government's tripling of the tax free threshold from 1 July 2012. This will allow people in the \$6,000 to \$18,200 income range to update their incomes online, over the phone or in person with the Department of Human Services (DHS) so that their FTB entitlement can be reconciled or CSHC eligibility determined.

DHS will continue to access tax information collected by the Australian Tax Office, such as pre-fill income, earnings and interest details, to ensure accuracy of income reporting. The new approach will help to ensure that low income families and CSHC holders receive their correct entitlements.

**Weekly income support payments to vulnerable Australians — expansion**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

From 2012-13, the Government will remove the cap placed on the number of income support recipients who can receive their payments weekly (rather than fortnightly), assisting up to 70,000 vulnerable people. Weekly payments assist recipients to better manage their finances, avoid financial crises and reduce their risk of becoming homeless.

While this measure does not impact on the fiscal balance it has an underlying cash impact of \$4.0 million over four years from 2012-13, due to the bringing forward of some payments by one week into an earlier financial year.

This measure expands the *Weekly income support payments to vulnerable Australians – expansion* measure announced in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

## FINANCE AND DEREGULATION

### Australian Electoral Commission — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Electoral Commission	-	10.0	16.0	16.0	16.0

The Government will provide an additional \$58.0 million over four years to the Australian Electoral Commission to maintain its operating capacity and to support electoral participation.

This measure continues funding provided in the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *Australian Electoral Commission – additional funding*.

### Cox Peninsula remediation work — second pass business case

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	2.0	2.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.0 million over two years for the Department of Finance and Deregulation to develop a second pass business case for the remediation of contamination and waste management on Sections 32, 34 and 41 of the Cox Peninsula, Northern Territory. This measure will enable second stage consideration by the Government in the 2014-15 Budget of a business case relating to remediation of land forming part of the Kenbi land claim.

### Deregulation agenda — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.8

The Government will provide \$6.9 million over four years to support the Government's deregulation agenda, including continuing oversight of the remaining Seamless National Economy reforms until the end of 2012 and establishing and supporting the recently announced COAG cross-jurisdiction taskforce for the new productivity-enhancing regulatory and competition reform agenda.

### Fire Service Levy — reduction

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will achieve savings from a reduction in the fire services levy payments made to State and Territory governments through the implementation of a single Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU will address an imbalance in payments across jurisdictions and result in more equitable arrangements relative to payments made by commercial property owners for fire service protection through respective State/Territory levies. The payments will be made by the Treasury to the States and Territories in accordance with the Intergovernmental Agreement on Federal Financial Relations. Currently, the fire services levy payments are made to the States and Territories by the Department of Finance and Deregulation, from Comcover premiums paid by Government agencies.

The final level of savings is subject to the completion of negotiations with the States and Territories.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### Malabar Headland — remediation work

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	2.0	6.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.0 million over two years to undertake work related to the transfer of parts of the Malabar Headland to the New South Wales Government. This includes work to remove unsafe structures and to secure heritage World War II fortifications from unauthorised access by the public, and work to meet environmental standards.

### Sydney Airport Corporation Limited stamp duty litigation — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	7.4	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.4 million in 2011-12 to meet legal and other costs associated with the Commonwealth's litigation against the stamp duty assessment issued by the New South Wales Office of State Revenue on the sale of the Commonwealth's share in Sydney Airport Corporation Limited.

Further details on this issue are provided in the Statement of Risks in Budget Paper No.1 2012-13.

## FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

### Australia and New Zealand School of Government — China Advanced Leadership Program

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	3.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.0 million in 2011-12 for the continuation of the China Advanced Leadership Program for three years. The program is coordinated by the Australia and New Zealand School of Government. This initiative will build on the success of the inaugural China Advanced Leadership Program conducted in 2011 and extend and deepen Australia's relationship with China.

### Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan — an integrated whole-of-government approach — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	45.9	46.5	-	-
Australian Federal Police	-	25.2	25.7	-	-
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	3.0	3.1	-	-
AusAID	-	-30.7	-28.7	-	-
Total - Expense	-	43.4	46.5	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	-1.0	-1.1	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Federal Police	-	2.5	-	-	-
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	1.7	1.6	-	-
Total - Capital	-	4.2	1.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$286.0 million over two years (including capital funding of \$14.8 million) to continue Australia's civilian and police contribution to developing local capacity in Afghanistan.

The measure will enable Australia's continued diplomatic presence to support engagement with the Afghanistan Government and monitoring detainees apprehended by the Australian Defence Force in Afghanistan. The measure will also maintain the current Australian Federal Police presence in Afghanistan to continue building the capability of the Afghan National Police.

Australia's aid program will include a contribution to the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund managed by the World Bank, and funding to support the Afghanistan Government's national health, education, agriculture, governance and other development programs. A contribution will also be made to assist the return of displaced Afghan nationals residing in Iran.

This measure includes provision for security costs for staff based in Kabul. Security for personnel posted outside the Kabul area will be provided by the Australian Defence Force and International Security Assistance Force partners.

AusAID activities totalling \$130.8 million (including \$9.0 million in capital funding) will be met from within existing resources. Funding for the Australian Federal Police and Department of Immigration and Citizenship will also be met from within the existing resources of AusAID.

This measure is expected to lead to a reduction in revenue of \$2.1 million over two years as a result of the tax treatment of the income and benefits received by deployed officers overseas.

### **Enhancing Australian Diplomacy**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	0.3	1.9	9.0	8.8	8.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>	-	5.0	14.9	4.3	-

The Government will provide \$52.6 million over five years to boost the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's overseas network from 95 to 97 posts by opening new diplomatic posts in Chengdu (China), and Dakar (Senegal). Funding has also been provided to increase Australia's international diplomatic presence. This proposal includes capital funding of \$24.1 million.

This increase in Australia's presence will support trade, investment and diplomacy in key locations around the world.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 20 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and the Minister for Trade and Competitiveness.

### National Security — Baghdad Embassy civilian security arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	33.1	33.9	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	0.5	4.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$72.2 million over two years (including \$5.1 million in capital funding) to continue outsourced security measures for the Australian Embassy and staff in Baghdad.

This measure is a continuation of the measure titled *National Security — Baghdad Embassy civilian security arrangements — final transition* announced in the 2011-12 Budget and the measure titled *Baghdad Embassy — transition towards civilian security arrangements* announced in the 2010-11 Budget.

### Official development assistance — African Development Bank Group membership

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3
AusAID	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3

The Government will provide \$9.3 million over four years to commence the process of joining the African Development Bank (AfDB) Group. This funding will be used to support the legislative, diplomatic and consultative processes involved in joining the Bank.

The AfDB was established in 1964 with the aim of helping to reduce poverty and to provide technical and financial assistance encouraging economic and social development in Africa. The AfDB Group includes the African Development Fund, which is the concessional arm of the AfDB and provides concessional loans and grants for developing purposes to Africa's poorest countries.

Funding for this measure includes \$8.1 million to be absorbed from within existing AusAID resources, and \$1.1 million for the Treasury, of which \$0.8 million will be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.



**Official development assistance — Asian Development Fund replenishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	46.9	1.5	1.5	1.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
AusAID	-	0.4	0.4	-	-

The Government will provide a contribution of up to \$629.3 million to the tenth replenishment of the Asian Development Fund (ADF). The additional funding would enable Australia to increase its burden share from 6.49 per cent to 11.0 per cent. Australia has committed to increase its burden share to 9.0 per cent with a further 2.0 per cent being conditional on the Asian Development Bank (ADB) implementing operational and management reforms.

The ADB was established in 1966 and is focused on delivering projects that have an economic and development impact in Asia and the Pacific. The ADF is the concessional arm of the ADB. The ADF assists low-income countries in Asia and the Pacific and is replenished every four years.

Australia's contribution contains both a loan (approximately 80 per cent) and a grant component (approximately 20 per cent), with the loan component having no impact on the underlying cash balance or fiscal balance. The fiscal balance impact associated with Australia's burden share is \$46.5 million in 2012-13 with payments to be made over nine years.

Funding for this measure will be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — An Effective Aid Program for Australia**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
AusAID	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$49.7 million over four years to enhance AusAID's corporate functions to ensure Australia's growing aid program continues to be delivered effectively. This funding will provide targeted improvements in AusAID's capacity to manage fraud and risk, manage aid quality and performance systems, provide increased transparency of the aid program, and assess the effectiveness of aid delivery through multilateral agencies.

Funding for this measure will be absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — Australia's development partnerships with the United Nations**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	-	102.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>AusAID</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$154.3 million over four years (including departmental funding of \$9.7 million) to expand engagement with six United Nations (UN) agencies. This measure will provide funding for health and education initiatives to the UN Development Programme (\$32.2 million), the UN Children's Fund (\$40.9 million), UN Women (\$16.5 million), the World Health Organization (\$27.5 million), the UN Population Fund (\$16.5 million) and the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS (\$11.0 million).

Funding for this measure includes \$102.3 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and \$51.9 million to be absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — closing development gaps in East Asia**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	-	108.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>AusAID</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$208.6 million over four years to increase development assistance in East Asia. Activities include: expanded assistance to Burma for health programs addressing maternal and child health and improving access to and quality of education; Cambodian programs targeting maternal and child health and agricultural development; programs in Laos for the provision of basic school supplies and development of agricultural practices; and for climate change mitigation programs in Vietnam.

Funding for this measure includes \$108.9 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and \$99.7 million absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

### **Official development assistance — deferring Australia's growth target**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-447.2	-782.6	-823.6	-866.7

The Government will continue to grow Australia's aid budget to 0.5 per cent of Gross National Income (GNI) but defer the target date by one year, from 2015-16 to 2016-17.

This measure will achieve \$2.9 billion in savings over four years while still growing aid spending by 50.0 per cent over the period 2012-13 to 2015-16. These savings will be achieved by a \$2.7 billion reduction in the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and a reduction of \$212.5 million to existing AusAID resources.

Under the new growth profile, ODA spending will have doubled from 2007-08 levels by 2014-15. Additionally, based on current projections of ODA contributions by the 23 members of the Development Assistance Committee of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), this growth path could see Australia rank sixth in the ODA donor rankings by 2015-16. Currently, Australia is ranked tenth.

### **Official development assistance — Fiji increased assistance**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$61.0 million over four years to increase official development assistance to Fiji. This measure will continue the Government's focus on strengthening health, education and improving economic livelihoods in Fiji with the expansion of the program focussing on alleviating poverty and vulnerability through more direct engagement in rural and disadvantaged communities.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of AusAID.

This measure is part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — Government Partnerships for Development**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	0.7	20.7	20.7

The Government will provide \$52.8 million over four years to fund a range of small-scale projects in developing countries that draw on the expertise of Commonwealth government agencies, state government agencies, and universities. Activities funded through the Government Partnerships for Development facility must have a focus on assisting the development of the partner country, including internships and placements, training workshops, twinning arrangements, small projects and policy research.

Funding for this measure includes \$42.1 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and \$10.7 million absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government’s commitment to increase Australia’s official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — overcoming poverty and building stability in the Pacific**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	98.3	243.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
AusAID	-	-	-	0.4	-

The Government will provide \$384.5 million over four years to address development needs in the Pacific, including: increased rates of child immunisation; improved access to education; increased reliability of drinking water supplies; and assistance with country adaption to the effect of climate change through infrastructure improvements across the Pacific.

Funding for this measure includes \$341.9 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and \$42.6 million absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government’s commitment to increase Australia’s official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$5 million in 2012-13 to the Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Trust as part of Australia's commemoration of the diamond jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. The Prime Minister has written to the Premiers and Chief Ministers encouraging them collectively to match the Commonwealth's contribution.

The Trust will work with partner charities and organisations to deliver projects that are a fitting and enduring tribute to the Queen. Australia's contribution is for projects that will assist developing countries.

The costs of this measure will be absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

Further information can be found in the press release of 7 February 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

See also the related expense measures titled *Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Essay Competition – establishment* and *The Prime Minister's Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship – establishment*.

**Official development assistance — rejoining the United Nations International Fund for Agricultural Development**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	0.9	121.6	1.4	1.4
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>AusAID</i>	-	-	1.0	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$126.4 million over four years as part of Australia rejoining the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD). This replenishment will have an impact on the fiscal balance of \$120.0 million in 2013-14, as the total replenishment commitment is expected to be made in that year, with the underlying cash impacts expected to occur as contributions are disbursed from 2014-15. Final details of Australia's replenishment will be confirmed following satisfactory completion of the treaty and pledging process.

IFAD is a specialised agency of the United Nations that was established as an international financial institution in 1977 and is dedicated to eradicating rural poverty in developing countries. Australia was a founding member of IFAD, but withdrew from membership in July 2007.

The Government announced Australia's intention to rejoin IFAD, following a 2011 AusAID review, at the 35th session of IFAD's governing council on 22 February 2012.

Funding for this measure will be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

**Official development assistance — strengthening preparedness and response to humanitarian crises**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
AusAID	-	-	-	114.6	270.0
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
AusAID	-	-	-	0.7	-

The Government will provide \$435.6 million over four years to expand AusAID's capacity to respond to crises and to reduce developing country vulnerability to natural disasters and instability arising from conflict and state fragility.

This measure provides funding for faster and more effective preparedness and response capability within AusAID through the expansion of staff, training and emergency stores; increased contributions for humanitarian emergencies and crises; contributions towards selected global humanitarian organisations to expand capacity to anticipate, prepare for and respond to conflict and disasters; and building the capacity of developing countries in the Asia-Pacific region to manage disasters and other crises.

In addition, this measure will provide contributions towards global humanitarian organisations and Non-Government Organisations for disaster risk reduction, disaster response, civilian-military cooperation and the removal of unexploded ordnance and landmines in developing countries.

Funding for this measure includes \$385.3 million to be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the Contingency Reserve and \$50.4 million to be absorbed from within existing AusAID resources.

This measure forms part of the Government's commitment to increase Australia's official development assistance over the long term.

## HEALTH AND AGEING

### Aged Care — Home and Community Care — transition

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$102.2 million over five years, including \$7.1 million in 2011-12, to enable the Department of Health and Ageing to administer home and community care services for people aged 65 years and over (and 50 years and over for Indigenous Australians) as part of the development of a nationally consistent aged care system. Home and community care services assist older people with basic maintenance and support services to help them continue to live in their own home and community.

The Council of Australian Governments agreed on 19 April 2010 that the Commonwealth Government would take full responsibility for basic home and community care services for older Australians (except in Victoria and Western Australia) by 1 July 2012.

This measure has no impact on the Budget and the forward estimates as it redirects resources previously applied to the administration of the Home and Community Care program by the States and Territories (excluding Victoria and Western Australia) to the Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing.

As part of the *Living Longer. Living Better* package the Government will establish a national Commonwealth Home Support Program, including services provided under the existing Home and Community Care Program. In developing the Commonwealth Home Support Program, the Government will review services being delivered, including meals on wheels, transport and home modification maintenance. The review will inform a move to more consistent and equitable service delivery arrangements and more national consistency in what people contribute to the cost of these services.

### Antivenom production in Australia — continued manufacturing

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7

The Government will provide an additional \$2.7 million over four years to CSL Limited to help meet the increased costs of manufacturing antivenom products in Australia. This funding delivers on the Government's commitment to maintain national capacity for antivenom production.

Initial funding for this measure was provided in the 2007-08 Budget measure titled *Antivenom production in Australia – continued manufacturing*.

### **Australia New Zealand Therapeutic Products Agency**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	nfp	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding in 2012-13 to progress the establishment of the Australia New Zealand Therapeutic Products Agency. The joint agency will regulate medicines, medical devices and other therapeutic goods in Australia and New Zealand.

The process of staged implementation of the new arrangements will include enhanced cooperation between the Therapeutic Goods Administration (Australia) and Medsafe (New Zealand); establishing a Transition Agency to facilitate bilateral cooperation and joint planning and implementation; a progress review of business-to-business projects; and initial work on development of a common regulatory framework.

This measure builds on the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12* measure titled *Therapeutic products – establishment of the Australia New Zealand Therapeutic Products Agency*.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) due to ongoing negotiations with the New Zealand Government.

Further information can be found in the press release of 20 June 2011 issued by the Prime Minister.

### **Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care — phased expansion**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-3.4	-2.5	-	-	-

The Government has rephased the expansion of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (ACSQHC), to allow more time for consultations with the key stakeholders in the development of national clinical safety and quality standards. The ACSQHC leads and coordinates improvements in a number of areas relating to safety and quality in health care across Australia, including through issuing advice and preparation of publications.



This measure is expected to save \$15.5 million over four years, of which \$9.7 million has already been included in the forward estimates. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Australian Nurse Family Partnership Program (Health@Home Plus) — continuation of three current sites**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-4.9	-6.2	-6.5	-5.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$23.2 million over four years from 2012-13 by continuing to deliver the Australian Nurse Family Partnership Program trial at three current sites located at Cairns, Alice Springs and Dubbo, instead of expanding the trial to the previously planned seven sites. Existing service providers will not be affected by this measure.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Australian Red Cross — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$5.0 million to assist the Australian Red Cross Society to perform its health related work in humanitarian relief and community support in Australia. This extends the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *Australian Red Cross Society – additional funding – extension* for a further year.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Health and Ageing.

### **Blood and blood products — appropriate and efficient use**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
National Blood Authority	-	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.3
Total - Expense	-	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.6

The Government will provide \$7.1 million over four years to establish infrastructure and data analysis capabilities for the purpose of identifying and implementing efficiencies in the blood supply chain. This funding will also enable the National Blood Authority (NBA) to continue to meet its obligations under the *National Blood Authority Act 2003* and the National Blood Agreement.

The NBA oversees the supply of blood products in Australia at the national level, and promotes the safe, high-quality management and use of blood products. The NBA is jointly funded by the Australian and the state and territory governments.

Savings arising from this measure are not for publication (nfp) until negotiations with stakeholders on the scope of efficiencies have been finalised.

### **Council of Australian Governments Diabetes Grants — rationalisation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-12.3	-	-	-	-

The Government will reduce funding available in 2011-12 for the diabetes grant component of the 2007-08 Budget measure titled *COAG – reducing the risk of type 2 diabetes*. The diabetes grant component is due to cease on 30 June 2012.

The Government will continue to promote the adoption of healthy lifestyles and address the prevalence of lifestyle-related chronic diseases such as diabetes through major preventative health and primary health care initiatives.

This measure will generate savings of \$12.3 million in 2011-12 that will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Dental health — alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	69.2	155.2	119.6	-
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.8	0.6	0.4	-
Total - Expense	-	70.0	155.8	120.0	-

The Government will provide \$345.9 million over three years to alleviate pressure on public dental waiting lists. A National Partnership agreement will be negotiated with states and territories to provide treatment for an estimated 400,000 adults on public dental waiting lists, including supporting the Indigenous population. The funding will enable states and territories to supplement existing public services, including through the purchase of private dental services if necessary.

This measure forms part of the Government's package of foundational activities to improve the oral health of low income Australians. This package incorporates the Government's commitment to spend \$165 million over three years on public dental services, funded by an increase to the Medicare levy surcharge for higher income earners, as announced in the press release of 15 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Health.

In line with the Government's agreement with the Australian Greens the next phase of significant dental reform will be addressed in the 2013-14 Budget.

See also the related expense measures titled *Dental health – increasing the capacity of the dental workforce*, *Dental health – supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services*, *Dental health – reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding* and *Dental health – national oral health promotion*.

**Dental health — increasing the capacity of the dental workforce**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	14.4	51.0	47.3	45.9

The Government will provide \$158.6 million over four years to increase the capacity of the dental workforce. Under this measure, the Government will:

- introduce an Oral Health Therapists (OHT) graduate year program and provide funding for developing curricula, up to 50 OHT places per annum (from 2014), OHT mentors, infrastructure to support the OHT places, and incentive payments at the completion of the program. This element will cost \$45.2 million over four years;
- expand the Voluntary Dental Graduate Year Program by up to 50 additional places by 2016, which will provide support to participating dental graduates through a structured program to enhance practical experience and professional development, particularly in the public sector and areas of need. This element will cost \$35.7 million over three years; and
- fund infrastructure and relocation grants for dentists who relocate their practice to regional, rural or remote areas. This program will provide different levels of incentive payments according to remoteness, and contributions towards dental infrastructure supporting approximately 300 dentists. This element will cost \$77.7 million over four years.

This measure forms part of the Government's package of foundational activities to improve the oral health of low-income Australians.

See also the related expense measures titled *Dental health – alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists*, *Dental health – supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services*, *Dental health – reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding* and *Dental health – national oral health promotion activities*.

**Dental health — national oral health promotion activities**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.5	5.0	5.0	-

The Government will provide \$10.5 million over three years to deliver national oral health promotion activities in consultation with key dental health organisations. This funding will be used to develop a National Oral Health Promotion Plan in 2012-13 to guide the implementation of evidenced-based oral health promotion activities over the following two years.

This measure forms part of the Government’s package of foundational activities to improve the oral health of low income Australians.

See also the related measures titled *Dental health – alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists*, *Dental health – increasing the dental capacity of the dental workforce*, *Dental health – supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services* and *Dental health – reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding*.

**Dental health — reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-94.3	-96.7	-99.0	-
Total - Expense	-	-94.3	-96.7	-99.0	-

The Government will not proceed with the Commonwealth Dental Health Program and instead will redirect the existing allocation of \$290 million over the forward estimates towards delivering foundational activities to improve oral health including alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists. It remains Government policy to close the Chronic Disease Dental Scheme as soon as possible.

This measure forms part of the Government’s package of foundational activities to improve the oral health of low income Australians.

See also the related expense measures titled *Dental health – alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists*, *Dental health – increasing the capacity of the dental workforce*, *Dental health – supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services* and *Dental health – national oral health promotion activities*.

**Dental health — supporting the delivery of pro bono dental services**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	-

The Government will provide \$0.5 million over three years to support the delivery of *pro bono* dental services by oral health professionals.

This funding will assist an organisation with the capability to coordinate the provision of dental services free of charge to priority groups, including concession card holders, Indigenous Australians, the homeless, women and children living in shelters and refugees.

This measure forms part of the Government's package of foundational activities to improve the oral health of low-income Australians.

See also the related expense measures titled *Dental health — alleviating pressure on public dental waiting lists*, *Dental health — increasing the capacity of the dental workforce*, *Dental health — reallocation of Commonwealth Dental Health Program funding* and *Dental health — national oral health promotion activities*.

**Digital Productivity — Expansion of Telehealth Services through trials**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$22.2 million over three years from 2012-13 through the National Broadband Network (NBN) Telehealth Pilot Program (the Program) to provide new and innovative in-home telehealth services to older Australians, people living with cancer and those requiring palliative care. The Program will provide funding to pilot projects, to develop and deliver telehealth services to eligible participants in NBN early roll-out areas.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 22 January 2012 issued by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy, the Minister for Health, and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

This measure contributes to the Australian Government's vision for Australia as a world-leading digital economy by 2020.

**Extended Medicare Safety Net — capping benefits including for items with excessive fees**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	..	0.8	-	-	-
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-9.4	-24.9	-29.1	-33.8
Total - Expense	..	-8.7	-24.9	-29.1	-33.8

The Government will improve the targeting of the Extended Medicare Safety Net (EMSN), to help manage Medicare expenditure whilst continuing to provide support for people with high out-of-pocket costs. This will be achieved by extending EMSN capping rules to a wider range of procedural items and introducing an upper limit on the amount of EMSN benefits payable for all consultation items.

The Medicare items being capped include all consultation items and a range of procedural items, including those where excessive fees are being charged, where there has been excessive growth in EMSN benefits in the past few years, where the EMSN is being used to subsidise items that could be used for cosmetic purposes and where there is a risk that practitioners will shift excessive fees onto other items such as consultation items.

This measure will achieve savings of \$96.5 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**General Practice Rural Incentives Program — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	18.2	-	-	-
Health Workforce Australia	-	-18.2	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$34.9 million in 2012-13 to extend the General Practice Rural Incentives Program. The program was established under the 2009-10 Budget measure titled *Rural Health Workforce Strategy* and provides relocation and retention incentive payments for medical practitioners to work in rural areas.

The cost of this measure will be met from a redirection of \$18.2 million in funding for Health Workforce Australia and \$16.7 million from a reallocation of funding from other health workforce capacity programs.

**GP Super Clinics program — streamlining**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-2.7	-13.8	-13.8	-13.8

The Government will remove uncommitted funding for the provision of development, networking and other operational activities. These activities will continue to be undertaken through the Medicare Local Network.

This measure will not impact on the construction of GP Super Clinics or primary care infrastructure grants.

This measure will generate savings of \$44.0 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Health and Hospitals Fund — 2011 Regional Priority Round**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	10.0	43.5	82.8	63.4
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-33.3	7.2	-11.3	-106.6
Total - Expense	-	-23.3	50.7	71.5	-43.3

The Government will provide \$475.0 million over six years for the delivery of 76 projects through the Health and Hospitals Fund (HHF) 2011 Regional Priority Round.

The HHF aims to expand and modernise key health infrastructure, including hospitals, across Australia to improve health care. This round focuses on rural and regional areas and provides funding for projects such as hospital redevelopment, e-Health support, mental health, professional training and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health. The independent HHF Advisory Board has deemed all of these projects eligible for funding.

See also the related expense measure *Health and Hospitals Fund – Regional Priority Round* in the 2011-12 Budget. Funding for the 2011 Regional Priority Round was included in the forward estimates at that time, although the profile has now been amended to reflect the agreement of these projects.

This measure delivers on the Government's agreement with the Member for Lyne and the Member for New England.

### Health workforce programs — program improvements

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Health Workforce Australia	-	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-16.9	-17.9	-18.1
Total - Expense	-	-	-21.9	-22.9	-23.1

The Government will streamline and improve delivery of the Rural Education Infrastructure Development Pool, Health Workforce Australia programs and the Health Workforce Flexible Fund. The streamlined health workforce programs will continue to address workforce shortages by recruiting, retaining and training more doctors, nurses and allied health workers in areas and disciplines where they are needed.

This measure provides savings of \$67.9 million over three years, which will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### Hepatitis C Litigation Settlement Scheme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7

The Government will provide an additional \$2.9 million over four years for the Hepatitis C Litigation Settlement Scheme.

This scheme provides a contribution to the out-of-court settlement costs for eligible individuals who contracted Hepatitis C as a result of a blood transfusion in Australia between 1985 and 1991.

This measure extends the 2008-09 Budget measure titled *Hepatitis C Litigation Settlement Scheme – continuation*.



**Increased funding for the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Private Health Insurance Ombudsman	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5

The Government will provide \$1.4 million over four years to increase the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman's (PHIO) capacity to manage complaints and respond to consumer enquiries.

The PHIO assists consumers to understand their rights and responsibilities in relation to their private health insurance, as well as providing an independent service for dealing with complaints. The PHIO also plays a role in encouraging insurers to continuously improve their own internal complaints handling procedures.

The cost of this measure will be met through an increase to the levy collected under the *Private Health Insurance Complaints Levy Act 1995*.

**Indigenous health infrastructure — redirection of funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-18.9	-18.8	-18.4	-19.3

The Government will redirect funding from Indigenous health infrastructure projects. The Government will continue to invest in Indigenous Health Infrastructure through the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Health program and the Health and Hospitals Fund.

The redirection follows additional investments made to Indigenous projects through the Health and Hospitals Fund including the Bendigo and District Aboriginal Co-operation in Victoria, Apunima Cape York Health Council in Queensland and the Yura Yungi Medical Service redevelopment in Western Australia.

This measure will take effect from 1 July 2012 and will result in savings of \$75 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities in Indigenous health.

### International multilateral agencies — redirection of funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-4.9	-	-	-	-

The Government will reduce funding under the Department of Health and Ageing's International Policy Engagement Program for participation in international meetings, hosting international delegations and visitors from other countries, and participation in the activities of multilateral agencies.

Funding under this program will still be available to facilitate the Government acting as an effective member of the global community in relation to international health or bilateral regional initiatives.

This measure will generate savings of \$4.9 million in 2011-12, that will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### Living Longer. Living Better — addressing workforce pressures

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	1.6	98.8	207.1	332.6
Department of Human Services	-	0.2	0.1	..	..
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	11.7	24.9	40.1
Total - Expense	-	1.8	110.5	232.0	372.8

The Government will provide \$1.2 billion over five years from 2012-13 (including \$471.7 million in 2016-17) to address workforce pressures in aged care. The Government will provide additional funding to aged care providers that take steps to improve their workers' terms and conditions of employment and ensure that these reforms generate better care and services for older Australians.

This will be delivered through a Workforce Compact developed by an independently chaired Advisory Group, in consultation with the sector and endorsed by the Government. The Compact will begin in July 2013 and improve the capacity of the aged care sector to attract and retain staff through higher wages, improved career structures, enhanced training and education opportunities, improved career development and workforce planning and better work practices. Employers will also be expected to contribute to the implementation of the Compact.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information can be found in the media release and related material of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

**Living Longer. Living Better — better health care connections**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	8.8	17.7	17.3	17.8

The Government will provide \$80.2 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$18.6 million in 2016-17) to strengthen the links and continuity of care between aged care and the primary care and hospital systems.

This will be achieved through:

- providing direct access to specialist palliative care and advance care planning expertise through palliative care advisory services. The Government will also improve palliative care support skills of the aged care workforce through expansion of the Program of Experience in the Palliative Approach to include staff of residential and community aged care services. These reforms are expected to cost of \$21.7 million over five years (including \$5.3 million in 2016-17); and
- enhancing multidisciplinary care and access to primary health care for aged care recipients and encouraging aged care providers to work more closely with health care providers. This measure will provide grants to develop models of service that result in improved access to complex health care services, including palliative and psycho-geriatric care for aged care recipients. It will provide support for the implementation of innovative ways of delivering health care services, including telehealth trials. These reforms are expected to cost \$58.5 million over five years (including \$13.3 million in 2016-17).

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *Better palliative care and support in the aged care system*, and *Promoting better practice and partnerships initiatives* can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

**Living Longer. Living Better — building a system for the future**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	24.4	25.3	8.5	8.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	-	15.8	21.8	9.8	13.8

The Government will provide \$256.4 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$36.8 million in 2016-17) to support continued reform in the aged care system. Of this amount, \$123.0 million (including \$31.0 million in 2016-17) has been redirected from funding associated with the One-Stop Shop initiative.

This will be achieved by:

- establishing an Aged Care Reform Implementation Council (the Council) to provide advice to the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing on the implementation and development of aged care reform. These arrangements are expected to cost \$15.2 million over five years (including \$0.6 million in 2016-17), of which \$7.3 million is for information and communications;
- creating an Aged Care Financing Authority to provide transparent advice to the Australian Government on pricing and financing issues in aged care, including the regulation of fees and additional service charges. This is expected to cost \$26.4 million over five years (including \$5.4 million in 2016-17);
- developing an aged care gateway that will provide a single point of contact to access aged care services. This includes establishing a central *My Aged Care* website, a call centre and developing a common assessment process for accessing aged care services. In addition, older Australians who are unable to organise their own services with providers, and do not have family or carer support to do so on their behalf, will be assisted by the gateway to access a range of services. This is expected to cost \$198.2 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$29.7 million in 2016-17); and
- creating the Australian Aged Care Quality Agency as a single agency responsible for aged care quality assurance and accreditation of both residential and home care services for older Australians. This measure will also support the development of national aged care quality indicators and a rating system, the results of which will be published on the *My Aged Care* website.

This measure is part of the Governments *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *Establishing an Aged Care Reform Implementation Council; Aged Care Financing Authority; Building a gateway to aged care services and Greater transparency in the quality of aged care* and initiatives can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### **Living Longer. Living Better — consumer support and research**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	1.1	8.1	10.5	9.4

The Government will provide \$39.8 million over five years (including \$10.7 million in 2016-17) to assist aged care recipients in maintaining links with the community and to enhance the collection and availability of aged care data and information on the characteristics and needs of older Australians.

The Government will:

- increase funding for the National Aged Care Advocacy Program to assist older Australians to choose, or resolve concerns with, the quality and type of aged care services they receive; expand the Community Visitors Scheme to help socially or culturally isolated people living in Australian Government subsidised aged care homes or receiving home care services remain connected to the community. These initiatives are expected to cost \$30.8 million over five years (including \$8.9 million in 2016-17);
- establish a centralised data clearing house at the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare from 1 July 2013; and
- expand the Australian Bureau of Statistics Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers and allow it to be conducted every three years, rather than every six years, from 2014-15. This initiative is expected to cost \$9.1 million over five years (including \$1.8 million in 2016-17).

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *More support for consumer advocacy and community visitors* and *Supporting aged care research and evaluation* initiatives can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Living Longer. Living Better — improving the Aged Care Funding Instrument

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	0.3	3.8	0.6	0.6	0.6
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-8.3	-41.7	-56.6	-66.7
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-45.6	-228.5	-309.3	-366.3
Total - Expense	0.3	-50.1	-269.6	-365.4	-432.5

The Government will refine the Aged Care Funding Instrument to better align the funding claimed by aged care providers with the level of care being offered. This measure will allow \$1.6 billion over five years from 2012-13 (including \$479.7 million in 2016-17) to be redirected to aged care reforms.

Under this measure, the funding instrument for residential aged care services will be modified through the tightening of assessment criteria. The compliance powers of the Department of Health and Ageing in relation to this funding mechanism will also be enhanced.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information can be found in the press release and related materials of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Living Longer. Living Better — means testing

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	20.4	21.7	17.9	17.3
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.2	0.8	-8.9	-19.0
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-8.6	-8.9	-116.4	-211.0
Total - Expense	-	11.9	13.6	-107.4	-212.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	22.9	7.9	-	-
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	1.8	5.3	-	-
<i>Total - Capital</i>	-	24.6	13.2	-	-

The Government will improve the fairness and sustainability of the aged care system by strengthening means testing arrangements for aged care recipients in residential and home care. This measure will ensure that aged care service recipients contribute to the cost of their care (and accommodation costs for those in residential care) according to their means. This measure is expected to result in savings of \$561.0 million over five years (including \$304.1 million in 2016-17) that will be reinvested into the aged care system.

To ensure aged care recipients make an appropriate contribution to the cost of their care, a new income test will be introduced from 1 July 2014 for Home Care packages. Under these arrangements, full pensioners will not pay any income-tested care fee, while part-pensioners will contribute up to a maximum of \$5,000 a year, and self-funded retirees up to \$10,000 a year, for their care. Care recipients will continue to pay a basic fee of up to 17.5 per cent of the basic age pension. These reforms are expected to result in savings of \$183.0 million over five years (including \$123.0 million in 2016-17).

Income and assets tests will be combined from 1 July 2014 to strengthen the means testing arrangements that currently apply to residential care. An annual cap of \$25,000 will apply to care contributions in residential care. Care recipients will continue to pay a basic fee, currently up to 84 per cent of the basic age pension. Residents in permanent care in an aged care home as at 30 June 2014 and all respite residents will not be affected by these changes. These reforms are expected to save \$378.0 million over five years (including \$181.1 million in 2016-17).

The Government will put in place safeguards to ensure aged care remains affordable and protect care recipients with higher care needs. Aged care recipients will not contribute more than the cost of their care. In addition, a lifetime cap of \$60,000 will be applied to both home care and residential care contributions. The lifetime and annual caps will be indexed.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living longer. Living better* aged-care reform package. Further information on the *Fairer means testing arrangements for Home Care packages* and *Fairer means testing arrangements for residential aged care initiatives* can be found in the media release and related material of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### **Living Longer. Living Better — older Australians from diverse backgrounds**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	6.0	14.5	17.0	19.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-0.3	12.9	13.4	14.0
Total - Expense	-	5.8	27.4	30.4	33.1
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$192.0 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$55.2 million in 2016-17) to improve the skills and knowledge of aged care providers to meet the needs of older Australians from diverse backgrounds. Of this amount, \$61.6 million (including \$21.6 million in 2016-17) has been re-directed from mainstream residential and home care funding.

These reforms will be achieved through:

- expanding the scope of existing diversity initiatives that improve the skills and knowledge of aged care providers in meeting the care needs of diverse populations, including people living in rural and remote areas, people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, people who are homeless or at risk of being homeless. These reforms are expected to cost \$24.4 million over five years (including \$5.8 million in 2016-17);
- providing an additional 200 aged care places over four years from 2012-13 in Indigenous communities under the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care program. Funding levels for all existing Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flexible aged care places (675 places) will also be adjusted annually for frailty levels in addition to indexation adjustments. These reforms are expected to cost \$43.1 million over five years (including \$12.6 million in 2016-17);
- additional funding from 1 July 2013 to deliver more appropriate care for veterans with an accepted mental health condition. These reforms are expected to cost \$114.8 million over five years (including \$34.7 million in 2016-17);
- sensitivity training for the aged care sector that is specific to the needs of older lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex people. These reforms are expected to cost \$2.5 million over five years (including \$0.5 million in 2016-17); and
- expanding the current *Assistance with Care and Housing for the Aged* program to assist the homeless or those at risk of being homeless in regional and remote areas. This program links older people with suitable accommodation and care services so that they can remain in the community. These reforms are expected to cost \$7.3 million over five years (including \$1.6 million in 2016-17).

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *Ensuring older people from diverse backgrounds can access aged care services that are specific to their needs; Ensuring culturally appropriate quality aged care services are available for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people; More support for veterans in Commonwealth Home Care packages and residential aged care; Ensuring sexual diversity does not act as a barrier to receiving high quality aged care; and More assistance for people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness* initiatives can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.



**Living Longer. Living Better — residential care**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	20.4	23.7	111.3	148.3
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	2.1	2.2	20.1	29.9
Department of Human Services	..	0.1	1.1	1.5	1.4
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	9.2	25.6
Total - Expense	..	22.6	27.0	142.0	205.2

The Government will provide \$660.3 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$263.4 million 2016-17) to support the viability of, and capital investment in, residential care facilities and to give residents greater choice of extra services and amenities.

This increased support will be provided through:

- increasing the maximum rate of the accommodation supplement from \$32.58 to \$50.00 a day (in current prices) from 1 July 2014 for aged care homes that are newly built or significantly refurbished from 20 April 2012. In addition, all residents entering permanent residential aged care from 1 July 2014 will have the choice to pay for their accommodation through a fully refundable lump sum payment, periodic payments, or a combination thereof. Providers of residential aged care services will also be required to insure any accommodation bonds that they hold for residents entering care on or after 1 July 2014. These reforms are expected to cost \$486.9 million over five years (including \$212.2 million in 2016-17);
- releasing a capped number of aged care places that will allow residents to purchase higher level amenities and hotel-type services. It will also abolish the Government component of the extra services fee for residents who enter care after 1 July, 2014. These reforms are expected to cost \$65.4 million over five years (including \$28.7 million in 2016-17); and
- continuing the existing viability supplements, to help fund higher delivery costs for providers in regional and rural areas or those providing specialist aged care services, including Indigenous Australians and older people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The Government will also combine its current aged care capital grants programs into a single Rural, Regional and other Special Needs Building Fund to streamline assistance to providers in these areas. These initiatives are expected to cost \$108.0 million over five years (including \$22.5 million in 2016-17).

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *Better support to build more residential care facilities; Greater choice and control; and Ensuring the sustainability of aged care services in regional, rural and remote areas initiatives* can be found in the press release and related material of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Living Longer. Living Better — staying at home

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	1.5	25.7	102.0	121.5
Department of Human Services	0.1	1.0	0.8	1.6	1.7
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-5.0	-18.5
Total - Expense	0.1	2.5	26.5	98.6	104.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	-	0.4	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$955.4 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$570.0 million in 2016-17) to assist older Australians in need of care to stay at home. Of this amount, \$454.0 million (including \$301.2 million in 2016-17) has been re-directed from funding previously allocated to residential care.

These reforms will be achieved through:

- increasing the total number of residential places and home care packages from 113 to 120 places for every 1,000 people aged 70 years or over by 2016 and to 125 places by 2021. The number of home care packages will increase by nearly 40,000 over the next five years. The significant increase in the number of home care packages will, in part, be funded by redirecting some of the new places that would have been allocated for residential aged care under current planning arrangements. From 1 July 2013, the Government will also create two additional funding levels for home care packages to make it easier to match the level of care required to the appropriate package funding level. These reforms are expected to cost \$880.1 million over five years (including \$531.7 million in 2016-17); and
- establishing a national Commonwealth Home Support Program from 1 July 2015, consolidating and providing extra funding for the Home and Community Care (HACC), Day Therapy Centres, National Respite for Carers, and the Assistance with Care and Housing for the Aged programs. These reforms are expected to cost \$75.3 million over five years (including \$38.2 million in 2016-17).

The Government will also review the types of services delivered through the new Commonwealth Home Support program, including meals on wheels, transport services, home modifications and home maintenance. The review will inform a move to more consistent and equitable service delivery arrangements and more national consistency in the fees people contribute to the cost of these services.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information on the *More Home Care packages*; and *Commonwealth Home Support program* initiatives can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 and related material issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### **Living Longer. Living Better — streamlining and expanding support for carers**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	7.3	12.2	11.5	11.8

The Government will provide \$54.8 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$12.0 million in 2016-17) to expand access to respite services, increase funding for carer counselling and provide carers with more choice and flexibility in the services they use.

This will be achieved through consolidating respite initiatives into a single program to streamline respite arrangements and establishing a regional network of carer support centres from 1 July 2014. The Government is also providing additional funding for the *National Respite for Carers program (NRCP)* from 1 July 2012 and incorporating the NRCP into the *Commonwealth Home Support* program from 1 July 2015.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information can be found in the press release and related materials of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Living Longer. Living Better — supporting long stay older patients

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5
Total - Expense	-	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5	-37.5

The Government will redirect \$187.5 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$37.5 million in 2016-17) from the Long Stay Older Patients program which provides funding for State and Territory governments to improve care for older patients in public hospitals. This National Partnership was due to expire on 30 June 2012. Funding will be redirected to support the aged care reforms.

Services for older patients with long hospital stays will continue to be provided under a separate agreement, the *National Partnership Agreement on Financial Assistance for Long Stay Older Patients*, which came into effect in December 2011.

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care reform package. Further information can be found in the press release and related material of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Living Longer. Living Better — tackling dementia

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	14.8	30.7	28.6	29.3
Department of Human Services	-	0.7	-	..	-
Total - Expense	-	15.5	30.7	28.6	29.3

The Government will provide \$268.4 million over five years from 2012-13 (including \$73.7 million in 2016-17) to tackle dementia. Of this amount, \$135.1 million (including \$44.6 million in 2016-17) has been re-directed by adjusting the eligibility criteria and mechanisms for determining residential and home care funding.

The Government will improve the care of people with dementia through:

- the introduction of a new 'Very High' behaviour classification within the Aged Care Funding Instrument from 1 July 2013 that will provide additional funding to residential aged care providers caring for residents with severe behavioural and psychological symptoms of dementia at a cost of \$41.0 million over five years (including \$10.8 million in 2016-17);

- an additional supplement to providers of *Home Care* packages to reflect the higher cost of delivering aged care services to people with dementia at a cost of \$123.3 million over five years (including \$41.6 million in 2016-17);
- expanding the scope of the existing Dementia Behaviour Management Advisory Services program into acute and primary care settings, by including dementia in the nursing and medical curricula, and through additional training for General Practitioners and Practice Nurses to specifically address the barriers to timely diagnosis of dementia. These reforms are expected to cost \$41.3 million over five years (including \$8.0 million in 2016-17);
- development and dissemination of nationally agreed principles and protocols for the management of people with dementia admitted to acute care hospital settings, at a cost of \$39.2 million over five years (including \$8.6 million in 2016-17); and
- additional funding to the National Dementia Support Program to support people with younger onset dementia and their families and carers, and the development of best practice guidelines to support the implementation of appropriate models of care, at a cost \$23.6 million over five years (including \$4.8 million in 2016-17).

This measure is part of the Government's *Living Longer. Living Better* aged care package. Further information on *Better care for older Australians with behavioural problems associated with severe dementia in residential care; Better care for older Australians with dementia in Home Care packages; Supporting people with dementia across the health system; Improving acute care services for people with dementia; and Improved support for people with younger onset dementia* initiatives can be found in the press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### Medicare Benefits Schedule — new and revised listings

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	..	0.1	0.1	-0.1	-0.2
Department of Veterans' Affairs	..	..	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Department of Health and Ageing	0.5	-4.5	-11.2	-13.2	-15.1
Total - Expense	0.5	-4.4	-11.2	-13.4	-15.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	-	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	-

The Government will amend the Medicare Benefits Schedule and Veterans' Benefits for new and revised listings since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*, saving \$43.9 million over five years.

The amendments to the Medicare Benefits Schedule include the:

- removal of subsidies for Hyperbaric Oxygen Therapy for the treatment of non-diabetic chronic wounds, as a result of a recommendation from the Medical Services Advisory Committee;
- addition of new diagnostic audiology items to allow qualified audiologists to perform particular services, on referral from a specialist;
- addition of new items for gene testing, to determine whether cancer patients will respond to treatments; and
- tightening of the provisions for Medicare-funded diagnostic radiology services to ensure providers meet minimum qualifications.

Further information will be available in the summary of changes included in the Medicare Benefits Schedule issued by the Department of Health and Ageing when the amendments take effect.

**Medicare Benefits Schedule — removal of Outer Metropolitan Specialist Trainees’ items**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans’ Affairs	-	..	..	..	..
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3
Total - Expense	-	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3

The Government will remove redundant items from the Medicare Benefits Schedule for specialist medical trainees based in outer metropolitan hospitals. There will be no impact on medical services as a result of this measure.

These items were originally introduced in 2006 as part of the Outer Metropolitan Specialist Trainee Program, to support medical trainee places in public hospitals. This program has since been integrated into the Specialist Training Program, which provides greater support for medical trainee places by streamlining administrative processes and providing Australian Government funding directly to public teaching hospitals for activities such as clinical supervision.

This measure will generate savings of \$0.9 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	16.5	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	0.4	0.6	-	-	-
Total - Expense	0.4	17.1	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Human Services	..	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$17.6 million over two years from 2011-12 to maintain existing service levels for the Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program. The program provides coordinated clinical support for people with severe and persistent mental illness through mental health nurses engaged by community-based general practices, private psychiatric practices and other similar organisations.

Mental health nurses work in collaboration with psychiatrists and general practitioners to provide services such as monitoring a patient's mental state, managing medication and improving links to other health professionals, clinical service providers and non-clinical support.

**National Bowel Cancer Screening Program — expansion**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.4	11.9	12.6	22.1
Department of the Treasury	-	-	0.6	0.6	1.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.2
Total - Expense	-	0.4	12.6	13.3	23.4

The Government will provide \$49.7 million over four years to expand the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program to increase the frequency of bowel cancer screening available to all Australians aged between 50 and 74 years.

From 2013, screening will be available for all Australians turning 60 years of age, and from 2015 screening will also be available for all Australians turning 70 years of age. Biennial screening will be progressively phased in, commencing in 2017-18 starting with Australians aged 72 years. When fully implemented in 2034, the program will provide all Australians aged between 50 and 74 years the opportunity to undergo bowel cancer screening using a Government-provided faecal occult blood test every two years.

This measure builds on the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *National Bowel Cancer Screening Program – continuation*, which provides all Australians aged 50, 55 and 65 years the opportunity to undergo bowel cancer screening using a faecal occult blood test.

### National e-Health Program — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	33.4	58.7	90.3	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	15.2	28.2	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	1.5	1.1	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>33.4</b>	<b>75.5</b>	<b>119.6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	2.1	-	-	-
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	1.6	1.4	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$233.7 million over three years to implement the National e-Health Program.

This funding will ensure that from 1 July 2012, Australians will have the option of registering for a Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record (PCEHR) to support more informed clinical assessments and decision-making, improve continuity of care and introduce efficiencies in health care service delivery. Patients who choose to participate will be able to securely access, and permit their health care providers to access, their health information.

This measure builds on the Government's previous e-Health investments and includes funding to enable:

- the National E-Health Transition Authority to further develop national standards and operate national infrastructure services;
- the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner to provide regulatory oversight of the national e-Health services; and
- the Department of Human Services and the Department of Veterans' Affairs to provide support services to PCEHR participants.

To fully realise the significant benefits of this Commonwealth investment, State and Territory governments will need to continue to invest in core health information systems.



### National Health and Hospitals Network — Aged care — expand access to multi-purpose services — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.4	-0.3	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-50.0	-35.0	-35.0	-	-
Total - Expense	-50.0	-35.4	-35.3	-	-

The Government will cease funding for the 2010-11 Budget measure *National Health and Hospitals Network – Aged care – expand access to multi-purpose services*. Although announced in the 2010-11 Budget, negotiations have been protracted and States have not yet agreed to the partnership agreement. Given these delays, the Government has decided to redirect the funding.

The Government has already committed \$1.6 billion to the States and Territories to deliver and operate over 1,300 new sub-acute care beds in hospital and community settings through the *National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services*.

This measure will provide savings of \$120.7 million over three years.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### National Health Call Centre Network — Queensland and Victoria

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-7.7	-7.9	-8.2	-8.6

The Government will cease provisioning for the operational costs of the Queensland and Victorian components of the National Health Call Centre Network (NHCCN) from 1 July 2012 as these States have not committed to the NHCCN shareholder agreement.

This proposal is expected to generate savings of \$32.4 million over four years.

### National Health Information Network — redirection of funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-18.1	-18.1	-18.3	-19.1

The Government will redirect funding from the National Health Information Network to support the National e-Health Program. This measure continues the 2009-10 Budget measure titled *e-Health programs – further efficiency*.

This measure will provide savings of \$73.6 million over four years to be redirected to fund the National e-Health Program and implementation of the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record system.

More information on the National e-Health Program can be found in the related expense measure titled *National e-Health Program – continuation*.

**National Health Reform Agreement — establishment of the Administrator and the National Health Funding Body**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	1.2	5.7	4.4	4.4	4.5
Department of Human Services	1.9	3.9	3.6	1.9	2.0
Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman	-	0.1	-	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>9.7</b>	<b>7.9</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>6.5</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	<i>1.2</i>	<i>1.8</i>	<i>1.5</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>

The Government will provide \$38.0 million over five years for the establishment and ongoing operation of the Administrator of the National Health Funding Pool (the Administrator) and the National Health Funding Body (the Funding Body).

The Administrator and the Funding Body were established through the Council of Australian Governments' *National Health Reform Agreement* of August 2011. The Funding Body will assist the Administrator in managing the National Health Funding Pool, which has been established to improve the transparency of public hospital funding.

Further information can be found in the press release of 2 August 2011 issued by the Prime Minister.

**National Immunisation Program — extended listing of Prevenar 13®**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3

The Government will provide \$1.1 million over four years to extend the listing of Prevenar 13® on the National Immunisation Program (NIP) to a fourth dosage for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children aged 12-18 months of age. Prevenar 13® provides protection against pneumococcal disease. The focus of this measure will be on Indigenous communities in the Northern Territory, Western Australia, South Australia and Queensland.

Prevenar 13® has replaced Pneumovax 23®, as recommended by the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation and the Pharmaceutical Benefits Advisory Committee. The fourth dosage of Prevenar 13® was previously administered to eligible Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children under a supplementary program.

This measure supports preventative health by providing the Prevenar 13® vaccine free of charge to eligible consumers through the NIP.

This measure builds on the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *National Immunisation Program – addition of Prevenar 13®*.

**National Mental Health Reform — Better Access Initiative — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-9.3	10.2	-1.0	-	-
Department of Human Services	0.1	0.1	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-9.3	10.3	-1.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$21.0 million to fund additional allied mental health services for patients under the Better Access initiative.

Under current arrangements, patients can access up to ten subsidised mental health services through the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS).

This measure will allow access to a further six MBS subsidised mental health services for patients who require additional assistance under exceptional circumstances for a transitional period from 1 March 2012 until 31 December 2012. The transitional period will provide sufficient time for new mental health services announced as part of the Government's *National Mental Health Reform* package to build capacity and effectively respond to people with more complex needs.

The cost of this measure will be met through a reduction in funding of \$16.3 million in 2011-12 from the 2010-11 Budget measure titled *National Health and Hospitals Network – Mental health – flexible care packages for patients with severe mental illnesses* and \$4.7 million over three years from 2011-12 from the education and training component of the Better Access initiative.

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 February 2012, issued by the Minister for Mental Health and Ageing.

### **Papua New Guinea — Staged handover of tuberculosis patients by Queensland Health**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	0.9	..	-	-
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	0.9	..	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.9 million to continue the safe and ethical transfer of Papua New Guinean tuberculosis (TB) patients to their own health system.

This additional funding will assist the Queensland Government to continue to treat Papua New Guinea (PNG) nationals with TB who present at clinics in the Torres Strait, while the capacity to treat these patients is progressively strengthened in the South Fly District of PNG through AusAID investments.

This funding is in addition to that provided to the Queensland Government in the 2009-10 Budget measure titled *National Partnership Agreement – Queensland compensation for health care treatment provided to Papua New Guinean nationals*.

### Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — funding for legal action seeking compensation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	nfp	nfp	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to the Department of Health and Ageing to seek to recover compensation from pharmaceutical companies. This compensation relates to losses incurred by the Government as a result of delays in the listing of generic forms of medicines on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

The first entry of a new brand results in a statutory price reduction being applied to the original and generic brands of the medicine on the PBS. In some cases, it appears that statutory price reductions and the introduction of generic forms of the medicine may have been delayed resulting in possible additional cost to Government.

For further information see the 2010-11 Budget measure titled *Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme – further pricing reform*.

### Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new and amended listings

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	..	0.2	0.9	2.6	4.3
Department of Human Services	..	..	..	..	..
Department of Health and Ageing	-1.4	-9.0	1.3	23.8	49.5
Total - Expense	-1.4	-8.9	2.2	26.4	53.8
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>

The Government has agreed to a number of new and amended listings on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) and the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS), at a cost of \$72.1 million over five years.

Listings and amendments include:

- Orenzia® (abatacept), for the treatment of severe active rheumatoid arthritis;
- Sprycel® (dasatinib) and Tassigna® (nilotinib), for the first-line treatment of patients with chronic myeloid leukaemia;
- Flolan® (epoprostenol sodium) for the treatment of patients with high blood pressure; and
- Brilinta® (ticagrelor) for the treatment of myocardial infarction or unstable angina.

General consumers will continue to pay a \$35.40 co-payment per prescription and concession card holders will pay a \$5.80 co-payment per prescription.

Pricing agreements negotiated between the Government and the pharmaceutical manufacturers reduce the costs to Government of some of these medicines.

Further information can be found in the press release of 21 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Health.

### **Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — price changes**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-0.2	-1.2	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
Department of Health and Ageing	-3.4	-24.8	-23.3	-24.0	-24.7
Total - Expense	-3.6	-25.9	-24.4	-25.0	-25.7

The Government has agreed to a number of price amendments to medicines already listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) and the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS), at a net saving of \$104.6 million over five years.

A price reduction has been applied to the therapeutic group of medicines used for the treatment of high blood pressure, angiotensin II receptor antagonist (ATRA). This group includes:

- Atacand® (candesartan cilexetil);
- Teveten® (eprosartan mesylate);
- Olmetec® (olmesartan medoxomil);
- Micardis® (telmisartan); and
- Diovan® (valsartan).

There have also been a number of price increases, including:

- Zofran Syrup® (ondansetron syrup), for the prevention and treatment of nausea and vomiting during cancer chemotherapy and radiotherapy;
- Barbloc 5® (pindolol tablet 5mg), for the treatment of high blood pressure; and
- Hysone (hydrocortisone tablets), for the treatment of Addison's disease — a rare condition of the adrenal glands.

Further information can be found in the press release of 21 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Health.

### **Poly Implant Prothèse breast implants — Medicare rebates**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	2.7	1.0	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	..	..	-	-	-
Total - Expense	2.7	1.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.7 million in 2011-12 and 2012-13 to allow women to access Medicare rebates for breast Magnetic Resonance Images (MRIs), to evaluate the integrity of breast implants manufactured by the French company Poly Implant Prothèse (PIP).

PIP implants were recalled from the Australian market in April 2010 following advice from the French regulator *Agence française de sécurité sanitaire des produits de santé* (AFSSAPS).

Further information can be found in the press release of 10 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Health.

### **Practice Incentives Program (PIP) — more effective targeting**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	2.1	0.1	-	-
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-3.2	-31.0	-26.5	-24.9
Total - Expense	-	-1.1	-30.9	-26.5	-24.9

The Government will improve the efficiency of the Practice Incentives Program (PIP) by more effectively targeting incentives to medical practitioners.

The Government will:

- include a requirement for general practices to participate in the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System to receive the eHealth PIP incentive;
- increase the targets for general practices to receive incentives for the PIP Cervical Screening Incentive, from 65 per cent to 70 per cent of eligible female patients;
- increase the targets for general practices to receive incentives for the PIP Diabetes Incentive, from 40 per cent to 50 per cent of eligible diabetics; and

- discontinue the GP Immunisation Incentives Scheme, in light of requirements introduced on FTB A supplements in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

This measure will provide net savings of \$83.5 million over four years.

#### **Private health insurance — review of rebate for ‘natural therapies’**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	1.0	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will undertake a review of the private health insurance rebate for natural therapies. The review, which will be overseen by the Chief Medical Officer, will examine the evidence of clinical efficacy, cost effectiveness and safety and quality of these natural therapies.

Following the completion of the review, the Government will introduce through regulation a list of natural therapies that will continue to receive the private health insurance rebate. Natural therapy treatments not included on this list will no longer be eligible for the rebate.

Funding of \$1.0 million will be provided to the Department of Health and Ageing in 2012-13 to undertake the review. The savings for this measure are not for publication (nfp) until the completion of the review.

#### **Private Health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Private Health Insurance Administration Council	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
<b>Total - Revenue</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.6</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Private Health Insurance Administration Council	-	..	-	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$2.3 million over four years to the Private Health Insurance Administration Council (PHIAC) to establish the Private Health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit (PACU).



The PACU will improve the advice provided to the Government on private health insurance industry pricing, industry cost drivers and insurance premiums. It will also enhance the capacity of PHIAC to encourage competition within the private health insurance industry for the benefit of consumers.

The cost of this measure will be met through an increase to the levy collected under the *Private Health Insurance (Council Administration Levy) Rules 2007*.

**Prostheses list — removal of joint replacement prostheses with unacceptably high revision rates**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.1	-1.7	-1.9	-2.1
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>	-	0.1	0.1	..	..

The Government will remove joint replacement prostheses with evidence of higher than acceptable revision rates from the Prostheses List, so that private health insurers are no longer required to pay benefits for those prosthetics.

There are more than 9,000 surgically implanted prosthetic devices on the Prostheses List, including hip and knee replacements. Private health insurers are required to pay a mandatory benefit for each item on the Prostheses List where a Medicare benefit is payable for the associated surgery in a hospital or hospital substitute.

Joint replacement prostheses with high revision rates need to be replaced more frequently than comparable products, resulting in poor outcomes for patients and higher costs to insurers and the health system.

This measure will provide savings of \$5.8 million over four years. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Review of Food Labelling Law and Policy — implementation of recommendations**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	2.7	0.9	0.2	..

The Government will provide \$3.9 million over four years to implement initiatives responding to recommendations from the *Review of Food Labelling Law and Policy*.

These initiatives support the Government’s commitment to refocus the health system towards prevention, including by developing a comprehensive National Nutrition Policy. This measure also includes funding for awareness and education activities, consumer and economic research activities, and the development and implementation of an interpretative front-of-pack labelling system.

**Stoma Appliance Scheme — improved program management and access to products**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.9	-2.5	-4.5	-6.4

The Government will improve the management of the Stoma Appliance Scheme, continue the Stoma Product Assessment Panel and introduce periodic pricing reviews from 2014-15. The cost of these improvements will be met through the cessation of automatic indexation for products on the scheme, resulting in a net saving of \$14.4 million over four years.

These changes were identified by the review of the scheme as part of the 2009-10 Budget, which recommended changes to the administrative arrangements of the scheme, while ensuring that consumers continue to have subsidised access to a range of products.

The Stoma Appliance Scheme assists eligible people to better manage their condition by providing subsidised access to stoma-related products, such as pouches, skin protectors, flow filters and creams.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

See also related expense measure titled *Stoma Appliance Scheme – implementing a new program framework* in the 2009-10 Budget.

**Streamlining and Enhancing Lead Clinicians Groups**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-14.5	-11.6	-11.6	-11.6	-11.6

The Government will enhance the role of the National Lead Clinicians Group through the establishment of a National Collaborative Clinicians Network. The network will promote clinical leadership and multidisciplinary models of integrated care and engage clinicians across Australia in health reform, providing opportunities for clinicians to identify, inform and deliver service improvements. The Australian Medicare Local Network will be provided with \$3.4 million over four years to work with Medicare Locals to enhance clinical leadership and engagement across health settings.

At the same time the Government will streamline program management and better use available resources working within existing state structures and not proceed with funding for the Local Lead Clinicians Group component of the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2010-11* measure titled *National Health and Hospitals Network – lead clinicians groups*.

This measure will provide savings of \$60.7 million over five years from 2011-12. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — Health**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	49.4	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of the Treasury	-	9.1	nfp	nfp	nfp
Total - Expense	-	58.5	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide \$254.4 million over four years (\$713.5 million over ten years) for the continued delivery of specialist and allied health services to Indigenous Australians in the Northern Territory, including:

- primary health care services;
- primary health care reform, to establish regional health boards with strong local leadership and support;
- specialist and allied health services for conditions of very high disease burden – oral health, hearing health, substance misuse, social and emotional wellbeing and therapeutic services for children; and

- skilled medical practitioners through the Remote Area Health Corps to meet workforce shortages in remote locations.

A portion of the total funding for the measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

This measure is part of the Government's *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory* package. The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) from 2013-14 as it is subject to negotiation with the Northern Territory Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 29 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, the Minister for Indigenous Health, and the Senator for the Northern Territory, Senator Trish Crossin.

### Telehealth — redirection of funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	0.1	0.8	0.3	..	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.6
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-3.7	-29.5	-74.1	-76.3
Total - Expense	0.1	-3.1	-29.5	-74.6	-76.8

The Government will better target incentives and payments to encourage early adoption of telehealth initiatives to ensure that they are targeted towards meeting the Government's e-Health priorities.

The Government will cease funding for the Telehealth Support Initiative, which was introduced as part of the measure titled *Connecting Health Services to the Future* in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2010-11*, from 1 July 2013. The Government will also restructure telehealth incentives for medical practitioners to supply telehealth services, and cease funding for these incentives from 1 July 2014.

In addition, the Government will introduce minimum distance requirements for telehealth consultations. These rules will focus services toward those patients without close access to specialists, and ensure more effective usage and distribution of these services.

This measure will generate savings of \$183.9 million over five years, which will be reinvested in the related expense measure titled *National e-Health Program-continuation*.

### Therapeutic goods — strengthening codes of conduct and transparency in industry promotion of therapeutic goods

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4

The Government will provide \$1.4 million over four years to strengthen the therapeutic industry's codes of conduct for the promotion of therapeutic goods.

This measure will increase the effectiveness of self-regulated codes of conduct through: developing a standardised framework of high level principles; improving access to information, education and training; and enhancing complaints reporting and handling processes.

This measure responds to recommendations by the Working Group on Promotion of Therapeutic Products, released on 18 March 2011.

### Tobacco plain packaging — compliance

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	3.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.1 million in 2012-13 for compliance and enforcement activities associated with tobacco plain packaging legislation.

Compliance activities will include a communications campaign to raise awareness among retailers of their responsibilities under the legislation, while enforcement activities will include inspections of general retail outlets such as supermarkets, and specialist outlets such as tobacconists and wholesalers.

### Tobacco plain packaging — litigation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide funding to defend domestic and international legal campaigns initiated by tobacco companies against the Government's tobacco plain packaging legislation and graphic health warnings. The legislation commenced on 1 December 2011.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication (nfp) to protect the Australian Government's position in any litigation initiated by the tobacco companies.

## HUMAN SERVICES

### Call Centre supplementation — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	50.9	51.3	51.7	52.2

The Government will provide \$206.0 million over four years to ensure the Department of Human Services (DHS) is able to meet customer demand for call centre services and to reduce waiting times. The measure will also support the capacity of DHS' Call Centres to respond to emergencies and natural disasters.

### Digital Productivity — leveraging the National Broadband Network infrastructure to enhance service delivery through video conferencing

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.2 million over four years for a National Broadband Network trial to improve service delivery to selected Department of Human Services (DHS) customers. The trial will provide high-definition video conferencing access to DHS specialist services, such as social workers and financial information officers, from a customer's home, a DHS customer service centre or from a third party organisation. The pilots will also explore the potential of the new technology to provide services to all Australians, regardless of their geographical location.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the press release of 19 March 2012 issued jointly by the Minister for Human Services and the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy.

This measure is part of the Government's broader digital economy strategy.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — accelerated real estate review cycle**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	2.4	3.5	3.6	3.6
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-2.3	-17.5	-20.5	-21.3
Total - Expense	-	0.1	-14.0	-17.0	-17.7

The Government will provide \$14.6 million over four years to change the frequency of asset reviews for certain income support recipients from once every two years to once a year for those deemed to be most at risk of changes in the value of their real estate investments. This comprises \$13.1 million to the Department of Human Services and \$1.5 million to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs. Currently around 200,000 Age Pension, Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment recipients own real estate in addition to their own home, which can affect their rate of payment.

The Department of Human Services will undertake up to 60,000 reviews annually, providing greater certainty for affected payment recipients about their pension assessment through a more frequent assessment cycle. The measure is expected to provide net savings of \$48.6 million over four years.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — increase in compliance review activity**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	16.2	16.3	8.2	-
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-6.6	-6.6	-3.3	-
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-25.9	-30.5	-19.0	-3.7
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-26.0	-26.1	-13.1	-
Total - Expense	-	-42.4	-46.9	-27.2	-3.7

The Government will provide \$41.3 million over three years to increase the number of data-matching reviews. This comprises \$40.7 million to the Department of Human Services and \$0.7 million to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs. The Department of Human Services will review an additional 75,000 high risk customers between 2012-13 and 2014-15 to identify and recover inaccurate payments.

This measure is an extension of existing compliance programs which improve the accuracy of social welfare payments and minimise debt accrued by customers. The measure is expected to provide net savings of \$120.2 million over four years.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — increased billing assurance for the Medicare Benefits Schedule**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	3.3	3.1	1.2	-
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-6.1	-11.5	-3.1	-
Total - Expense	-	-2.8	-8.3	-1.9	-

The Government will provide \$7.6 million over three years from 2012-13 to develop and trial a new compliance approach for Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) billing with a select group of large and multi-disciplinary medical practices. The Department of Human Services (DHS) will work with this group to develop and test improved billing assurance processes.

This measure will also provide additional resourcing for DHS to undertake additional practitioner reviews, and to develop new information materials to educate larger medical practices about appropriate MBS billing.

This measure is expected to provide net savings of \$13.1 million over three years.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — increased compliance for international risk**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	0.2	4.3	1.2	1.2	1.3
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-26.1	-29.9	-25.3	-19.1
Total - Expense	0.2	-21.8	-28.7	-24.0	-17.8

The Government will provide \$8.4 million over five years to undertake additional customer reviews to address risks to the accuracy of payments to recipients living overseas or living in Australia and receiving a foreign pension.

This comprises \$8.3 million to the Department of Human Services (DHS) and \$0.1 million to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.



DHS will review certain customers residing overseas to ensure that payments are not continuing after the customer has deceased. DHS will also perform additional reviews of customers in Australia who receive a foreign pension to ensure that Australian pensions are adjusted to account for any changes in international pensions, where these have not been reported to DHS.

The measure is expected to provide net savings of \$92.1 million over five years.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — increased recovery of high value non-current customer debt**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>

The Government will provide \$5.9 million over four years to recover debts from former Centrelink customers, focusing on high value debts. An investigative taskforce will be established to locate former customers with large outstanding debts and analyse their income and assets. Resources will also go towards debt recovery, including legal proceedings where appropriate.

The measure is expected to provide net savings over four years of \$14.2 million in underlying cash terms. There will be no impact on the fiscal balance from debt recovery because these debts are already recorded as an existing asset.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — matching of Medicare Benefits Schedule and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme data — termination of measure**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	4.5	6.7	7.8	8.8	9.9
Department of Human Services	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9	-0.9
Total - Expense	3.7	5.8	6.9	8.0	9.0

The Government will no longer proceed with the measure *Fraud and compliance – matching of Medicare Benefits Schedule and Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme data* that was announced in the 2009-10 Budget due to associated privacy implications. Unspent funding previously provided to the Department of Human Services of \$4.4 million over five years will be returned to the Budget.

**Fraud prevention and compliance — new compliance data sources**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Human Services	-	1.8	2.3	2.3	2.4
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	-1.8	-4.5	-5.5	-5.5
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	-6.9	-13.8	-13.9	-14.0
Total - Expense	-	-6.8	-16.0	-17.1	-17.2

The Government will provide \$8.9 million over four years from 2012-13 to expand the range of data used by the Department of Human Services (DHS) to reduce inappropriate access to welfare payments.

The measure will allow DHS to better identify welfare fraud through new data sources, and the more frequent use of existing sources. A number of data sources including Medicare card usage data, Australian Passport Office information, and Australian Business Register data will be utilised. Expanding the range of data sources will result in more customer investigations and the recovery of more incorrectly-claimed payments. The measure will target emerging fraud risks, including online interactions with DHS, false identities or undeclared income from business.

The measure is expected to provide net savings of \$57.1 million over four years.

## IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP

### Border Security — Combating people smuggling — enhanced capacity

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	5.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$11.3 million over two years to enhance engagement and provide training and technical assistance to regional immigration agencies. This will assist these agencies to detect and disrupt irregular people movements throughout the region.

An amount of \$5.0 million of this funding will be offset from the provision for expanded aid funding held in the contingency reserve. The remaining \$6.3 million will be absorbed from within existing resources of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

### Humanitarian Settlement Services — bridging visa stream

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	-3.6	-2.9	-2.7	-4.0

The Government will save \$13.1 million over four years by capping the maximum level of humanitarian settlement services to asylum seekers who are found to be owed protection, have been granted a permanent visa and who have been living independently in the community for more than six months. This measure recognises the settlement supports already available to this client group while in the community on bridging visas.

The Government will also continue with the youth sub plan and onshore orientation components of the program.

For more information on humanitarian settlement services see the Department of Immigration and Citizenship website.

Savings from this measure will be redirected towards other Government priorities.

### Migration Health Requirement — reforms

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	0.3	0.7	1.0	1.4
Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs	-	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.4
Department of Health and Ageing	-	..	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total - Expense	-	0.4	0.9	1.4	1.9

The Government will reform the health criteria that applicants must meet to obtain an Australian visa, at a cost of \$4.6 million over four years.

Under current arrangements, visa applicants are refused entry to Australia where the estimated costs of treating a pre-existing health condition are above the Significant Cost Threshold set at \$21,000.

The reform will increase the Significant Cost Threshold from \$21,000 to \$35,000 to better reflect current health costs, and remove the requirement for offshore Humanitarian Visa applicants to meet the Significant Cost Threshold criteria. This reform will commence on 1 July 2012.

These reforms are in response to the report of the Joint Standing Committee on Migration on the Migration Treatment of Disability: *Enabling Australia*.

### Migration Program — allocation of places for 2012-13

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	5.7	8.7	10.3	11.1
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Citizenship</i>	-	3.6	3.7	4.5	4.6

The Government will increase the 2012-13 Migration Program to 190,000 places, up from 185,000 places for 2011-12. The program will comprise 129,250 skilled stream places, 60,185 family stream places and 565 special eligibility places.

The increase in the skilled stream reflects the ongoing demand for skilled labour in parts of the economy. The increase in the family program will assist in meeting the continued demand for family stream visas. A strong family migration program is an important factor in attracting and retaining skilled migrants.

The cost of this measure reflects the direct impact of changes in the Permanent Migration Program for the Department of Immigration and Citizenship (DIAC). Any consequential impact from changes in the Permanent Migration Program on other Government programs have been reflected in the estimates separately.

See also the related expense measure titled *Migration Health Requirement – reforms*.

### Permanent Employer Sponsored Program — reforms

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.3 million over two years to improve the *Permanent Employer Sponsored Program*. This builds on the 2011-12 Budget announcement that the Government would streamline and simplify the pathway to permanent residency for *Temporary Business (Long Stay) (Subclass 457)* visa holders.

The reforms will streamline six visa classes to two (the *Employer Nomination Scheme* and the *Regional Sponsored Migration Scheme*), amend a range of eligibility requirements for the visa classes, and consolidate the existing sponsored occupation lists into one. These reforms will take effect from 1 July 2012.

For further information see the related 2011-12 measure titled *Initiatives to Increase Migration to Regional Australia*.

The cost of this measure will be met through the existing resources of the Department of Immigration and Citizenship.

### Reintegration assistance program — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	1.7	1.9	2.0	2.2

The Government will provide \$7.7 million over four years to continue the *Reintegration Assistance Program* established in 2010.

The *Reintegration Assistance Program* supports the voluntary return of asylum seekers to their country of origin. The program provides in-country skills training, employment assistance and small business start up programs delivered by the International Organization for Migration, an international intergovernmental organisation.

### Streamlining protection visa processes

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal	-	5.6	-	-	-
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	-8.6	-	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	-	<b>-3.1</b>	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal	-	3.1	-	-	-
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	-	<b>3.1</b>	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.6 million in 2012-13 (including \$3.1 million in capital funding) to streamline processes for granting and reviewing protection visas for both boat and air arrivals, using current onshore arrangements for protection visa applications and merits review through the Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal.

The cost of this measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the body formerly responsible for protection visa application and merits review for boat arrivals, the Independent Protection Assessment Office (IPAO).

### Unaccompanied humanitarian minors — Supervision and welfare

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	12.2	8.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$20.2 million over two years for the supervision and welfare of unaccompanied humanitarian minors (UHMs).

The UHM program provides settlement services to non-citizens under the age of 18 years who arrive in Australia without a guardian, and who are the recipient of a Humanitarian Visa.

**Virtual English Tuition for Migrants**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Immigration and Citizenship	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$5.0 million over three years to pilot virtual English tuition via the National Broadband Network (NBN). Starting in 2012, the service will support new migrants living in Regional Australia with a distance learning package that complements the Adult Migrant English Program.

The trial will have two phases. Phase one will provide enhanced distance learning online resources for teachers and home tutors while phase two will deliver interactive services in communities connected to the NBN.

The program will be reviewed in 2013-14 to test the viability of expanding the services nationwide.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 7 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Immigration and Citizenship, the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy and the Parliamentary Secretary for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs.

## INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

### Apprentice to business owner — business skills and mentoring program

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	3.0	5.5	5.5	5.5

The Government will provide \$19.4 million over four years for business skills training and mentoring support for individuals who are seeking to establish a business within two years of completing a trade-related apprenticeship.

Grants of up to \$5,000 will be available for 500 people in 2012-13 and then 1,000 people each year from 2013-14.

### Australian Apprenticeship Ambassadors

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.2 million over four years from 2011-12 to establish the Australian Apprenticeship Ambassadors program. The program will seek the support of a number of high-profile Australians and Australian Training Award recipients to promote the benefits of Australian Apprenticeships as a valued career choice.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the resourcing of the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education.

This measure forms part of the Government's response to the Apprenticeships for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Expert Panel Report '*A Shared Responsibility: Apprenticeships for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*'.

Further information can be found in the press release of 6 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Tertiary Education, Skills, Science and Research.



### Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program — better targeting

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-59.5	-99.8	-97.8	-96.6

The Government will discontinue the \$1,500 standard employer commencement incentive payment and increase the standard completion incentive by \$500 to \$3,000 for existing worker apprentices in non-National Skills Needs List (NSNL) occupations. Commonwealth incentive payments paid to employers of existing workers undertaking an apprenticeship in NSNL occupations and employers of new workers undertaking an apprenticeship in non-NSNL occupations will remain unchanged.

The Government is targeting employer apprenticeship incentives more carefully and focusing on skills shortage occupations and higher completion rates. Employers incur a range of costs in hiring new staff, and therefore it is appropriate that the incentive payment is lower for existing staff.

This measure will re-target apprenticeship incentive payments to encourage higher completion rates for existing workers in non-National Skills Needs List occupations.

This measure will provide savings of \$353.6 million over four years from 2012-13 that will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

See also the related savings measure titled *Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program – deferral of the standard employer commencement payment*.

### Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program — deferral of the standard employer commencement payment

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-12.1	-12.1	-11.8	-11.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$47.8 million over four years from 2012-13 by changing the payment arrangements for the standard apprenticeship commencement incentive. The incentive payment will be made six months after an apprentice commences employment rather than the current three months.

The standard commencement incentive currently provides employers of apprentices at or above the Certificate III level with \$1,500 and employers of apprentices at the Certificate II level in nominated equity groups with \$1,250.

By separating the payment of the commencement incentive from the end of the probationary employment period, the measure will encourage the establishment of longer-term employment relationships.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

See also the related savings measure titled *Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Program – better targeting*.

### **Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies — digitisation of Indigenous cultural resources — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies	-	3.2	3.2	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.4 million over two years to continue the digitisation of a range of historical and cultural material held in non-digital form by the Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies. The digitisation of the Institute's collection of Indigenous film, video, recorded sound and pictorial material will help ensure these resources are preserved and accessible to future generations.

### **Australian Skills Centres of Excellence**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	0.1	6.0	6.0	6.0

The Government will provide \$18.1 million over four years for the establishment of three Australian Skills Centres of Excellence (ASCE) to support innovative production processes and teaching and learning methods in the Vocational Education and Training (VET) sector.

Each ASCE will receive \$2.0 million per annum and be administered by a consortium led by a registered training organisation in partnership with industry, state and territory governments and other relevant stakeholders, which will be required to make a co-contribution to the cost of establishing the centres.

See also the related savings measure titled *National Workforce Development Fund – redirect funding*.

**Australian Skills Quality Authority (National Vocational Education and Training Regulator) — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Skills Quality Authority	-	8.4	11.1	11.2	10.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Skills Quality Authority	-	5.2	13.4	13.9	13.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Skills Quality Authority	-	1.0	2.2	2.7	3.1

The Government will provide \$50.3 million over four years to help ensure the Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) is adequately resourced. Funding will be provided, in part, by implementing cost recovery arrangements from 1 January 2013, providing an additional \$46.1 million in revenue over the forward estimates.

The additional funding includes:

- \$34.5 million over four years to enable ASQA to conduct compliance audits including cross jurisdictional audits;
- \$6.9 million over four years to undertake up to three strategic audits per year targeting specific industry sectors or qualifications. Aged care, the early childhood development workforce and VET in schools have been identified as immediate priorities; and
- \$9.0 million over four years for the redevelopment of ASQA’s information and communication technology system.

This measure builds on the Government’s investment in skills and VET programs of \$18.6 billion over five years.

ASQA commenced operation on 1 July 2011 subsuming the functions of all state and territory VET regulators apart from Victoria and Western Australia.

### Australian Small Business Commissioner — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	1.1	2.0	1.8	3.5

The Government will provide \$8.3 million over four years to establish an Australian Small Business Commissioner to provide advocacy and representation of small business interests and concerns to the Australian Government. Funding will also be provided for a national information and referral service to allow small business owners to access information and advice, and referral to external services such as dispute resolution.

This measure will also extend the existing Small Business Support Line by a further year to 2015-16 to provide advice to small businesses on issues such as: obtaining finance; cash flow management; retail leasing; personal stress and hardship counselling; and promotion and marketing.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 14 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Small Business.

### Automotive New Markets Initiative

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$25.0 million over six years from 2012-13 (including \$0.3 million in 2016-17 and \$0.03 million in 2017-18) to assist Australian firms in the automotive supply chain to expand their operations. The grant assistance, along with a contribution from the Victorian Government, will provide \$35.0 million to help firms in the automotive supply chain move into export markets and supply their products to other industries. The Commonwealth funding includes:

- \$20.0 million over six years to provide merit-based grants for up to 50 per cent of eligible costs associated with expansion activities that enhance a firm's capability and expand its customer base and/or product range;
- \$3.4 million over four years to engage third-party organisations to work with automotive firms to identify and implement automotive-specific business capability diagnostic and improvement projects;
- \$0.9 million over four years to engage an automotive envoy to work closely with industry to identify new international opportunities and links into the automotive global platform market; and

- \$0.7 million over four years to engage a supplier advocate to work domestically to create linkages between automotive firms and new customers and work with capability development service providers to identify capabilities in the automotive supply chain that are transferable to the supply of new markets.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the *New Car Plan for a Greener Future* package.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 22 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Industry and Innovation.

### **Commonwealth Grant Scheme — Enabling Loading — increase**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	3.7	10.4	13.5	14.0

The Government will provide \$41.6 million over four years to increase the enabling loading on Commonwealth Grant Scheme (CGS) funding for universities.

The additional resources will increase the Commonwealth funding for enabling courses in 2013 from \$1,833 to \$2,500 per equivalent full-time student. From 2014, the rate will increase to \$3,068, indexed annually thereafter, restoring the rate to the equivalent of the average rate applying in 2010.

Enabling courses act as bridging or supplementary programs for students who would otherwise have difficulty meeting university entry requirements. The CGS enabling loading provides additional funding to universities to assist with the cost of providing places in enabling courses of study in lieu of annual student course contributions, which are not permitted for enabling courses under current legislation.

The increase in funding for enabling courses is consistent with the findings of the *Higher Education Base Funding Review*.

**Commonwealth Supported Places and Higher Education Loan Program — change in eligibility for Australian citizens not residing in Australia**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-1.5	-4.8	-8.6	-13.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	-0.1	-0.3	-0.9	-2.1

The Government will no longer provide access to Commonwealth supported places and the Higher Education Loan Program for Australian citizens enrolled at a domestic campus who undertake a significant proportion of their higher education course while not residing in Australia. This will provide savings of \$25.1 million over four years that will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

The change in eligibility will apply to students studying at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels who commence their course from 1 January 2013.

This measure will ensure that Government funding is targeted towards students who are more likely to remain in Australia and contribute to Australia’s workforce and economy following graduation.

**Community-Based Service Development Program — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-3.9	-3.9	-3.9	-3.9

The Government will cease funding for the Community-Based Service Development Program. This will provide savings of \$15.7 million over four years.

The Community-Based Service Development Program provides funding to improve the language, literacy and numeracy skills of working age Australians. The Government is developing an over-arching National Foundation Skills Strategy for Adults to bring a national focus to improving the foundation skills of working age Australians and to provide a framework for Australian, state and territory government action on foundation skills over the next ten years.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Economic Potential of Senior Australians — Investing in Experience — Skills Recognition and Training**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will broaden the eligibility of the More Help for Mature Age Workers (MHMAW) program and make changes to the payment structure to help address current levels of unmet demand.

The current MHMAW program supports the recognition of qualifications for mature age workers (aged 50 years and above) at the Certificate III level or above who have trade relevant skills but no formal qualification. It does this by reimbursing employers up to \$2,000 for a skills assessment and \$2,000 for training costs. This measure expands the MHMAW program to include mature age workers from non-trade occupations across all sectors of the economy, such as child care and business. Reimbursements to employers will also be restructured with employers eligible to claim \$3,000 for the costs of the skills assessment and a further \$1,000 upon completion of the gap training by the mature age worker.

To reflect these changes, the MHMAW program will be renamed the Investing in Experience – Skills Recognition and Training program. The cost of the measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the MHMAW program.

This measure forms part of the Government’s response to the recommendations of the Advisory Panel on the Economic Potential of Senior Australians.

### **Economic Potential of Senior Australians — Productive Ageing Through Community Education**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	1.2	1.1	1.3	1.2

The Government will provide \$4.8 million over four years to support adult education providers and community organisations to expand the delivery of educational and training courses tailored to the needs of senior Australians (aged 60 and above).

It is anticipated that grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000 will be awarded annually, expanding educational opportunities for senior Australians with a focus on community engagement and skills development.

This measure forms part of the Government’s response to the recommendations of the Advisory Panel on the Economic Potential of Senior Australians.

### Ford Australia Environmental Innovation Grant

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$34.0 million in 2011-12 to the Ford Motor Company of Australia Limited to assist with the design and engineering of the 2014 Falcon. The grant assistance, along with a funding contribution from the Victorian Government, will be part of a \$103.5 million design and engineering project to reduce the carbon dioxide emissions of the 2014 Falcon and improve the safety of the Falcon and Territory vehicles. The funding will also secure the production of the Falcon at Broadmeadows in Melbourne to at least the end of 2016.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the *New Car Plan for a Greener Future* package.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 10 January 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Manufacturing.

### General Motors Holden — next generation vehicles — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$215.0 million over four years from 2013-14 to General Motors Holden (Holden) to support capital investment and design and engineering of Holden's next generation vehicles. The grant assistance, along with contributions from the South Australian and Victorian Governments, will result in Holden injecting over \$1 billion into car manufacturing in Australia, which will support jobs at Holden and the automotive supply chain companies. The funding is expected to secure Holden's production of vehicles in Australia until at least 2022.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the *New Car Plan for a Greener Future* package.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 22 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Industry and Innovation.



### Green Building Fund — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-2.4	-	-	-

The Government will redirect uncommitted funding of \$2.4 million in 2012-13 from the Green Building Fund.

The Green Building Fund aims to reduce the impact of the built environment on Australia's carbon emissions by reducing energy consumption in the operation of existing commercial office buildings, hotels and shopping centres.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

See related expense measure title *Building energy efficiency – additional funding*.

### Higher Education — increased student contributions for mathematics, statistics and science units

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-81.3	-129.5	-69.2	-20.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	-	1.2	4.7	8.1

The Government will establish a single annual student course contribution rate for higher education students who study mathematics, statistics and science units.

In the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2011-12*, the Government announced that it would increase the annual student course contribution for mathematics, statistics and science units from the National Priority rate (estimated at \$4,696 per student in 2013) to the Band 2 rate (estimated at \$8,361 in 2013) for all students commencing a higher education course from 1 January 2013, with continuing students paying the National Priority rate until 31 December 2015.

This measure will now ensure that the increase in the annual student course contribution to the Band 2 rate applies to all students, including students who commenced prior to 1 January 2013.

Students currently undertaking maths and science studies in the 2012 university year will continue to benefit from the priority rate for the remainder of the current university year. Additionally, this measure does not impact on the rate of liabilities accrued under the priority rate for studies undertaken in the 2009-2012 university years.

The measure will enable the transitional loading paid to universities to compensate for the lower annual student contributions paid by mathematics, statistics and science students to be abolished from 1 January 2013.

This measure will provide savings of \$314.9 million over four years, which will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Improving support for disadvantaged students to succeed at university — Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program — reform**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-13.4	-7.9	-2.0	5.2

The Government will reduce the funding for the participation component of the Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Program (HEPPP) by \$68.2 million over four years from 1 January 2013. As a result, the average annual funding rate per student will fall from \$1,800 to \$1,400 in 2012. The Government will also increase the funding available through the partnership component of the HEPPP by \$50.0 million over four years.

The HEPPP is comprised of participation and partnership components. The participation component provides reward funding to universities based on their share of domestic students from low socio-economic status (SES) backgrounds. The partnership component provides funding to universities to develop partnerships and outreach activities with various stakeholders that build the capacity of people from low SES backgrounds participating in higher education.

The additional partnership funding will enable more intensive support to be provided for disadvantaged students, including Indigenous students. The reduction to the participation component is consistent with the findings of the *Higher Education Base Funding Review*.

This measure will provide savings of \$18.2 million over four years that will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**International Education and Training — redirection of funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-4.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0

The Government will redirect \$10.0 million over four years from the International Education and Training Program to support other Government priorities.

The International Education and Training Program provides approximately \$55 million per annum for the provision of scholarships, fellowships and exchange opportunities for international and Australian students.

**Manufacturing Technology Innovation Centre — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	3.9	6.5	9.4	10.0
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	..	..	-	-

The Government will provide \$29.8 million over four years to establish the Manufacturing Technology Innovation Centre (MTIC). The MTIC will create networks with major manufacturers, small and medium enterprises, industry bodies and research organisations to improve business performance through utilising new technologies, business processes and technical knowledge.

The MTIC will use existing Enterprise Connect infrastructure to provide grants for innovation projects, as well as establishing agreements with expert bodies to provide tailored advice to individual firms.

**Mathematics and science — increasing participation in schools and universities**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	4.1	9.5	11.8	11.7
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-2.0	0.6	4.7	4.7	4.5
Total - Expense	-2.0	4.7	14.1	16.5	16.2

The Government will provide \$54.0 million over four years to improve participation in the study of mathematics and science at school and university in response to the Chief Scientist’s report *Mathematics, Engineering and Science in the National Interest*. Elements of the measure are:

- \$20.0 million over four years to support university-led outreach projects to encourage school students to study mathematics and science at the secondary and post-secondary level;
- \$10.9 million over four years to support the development of innovative approaches to delivering university mathematics and science courses with a view to improving the pipeline of mathematics and science teachers being trained;
- \$6.5 million over four years to increase funding for the Scientists and Mathematicians in Schools Program to improve the teaching and learning of science and mathematics in primary and secondary schools by creating and supporting long-term partnerships between teachers and scientists or mathematicians;
- \$5.0 million over four years to extend the ‘Primary Connections: Linking Science with Literacy’ and ‘Science by Doing’ projects, and supporting further development of high-quality online digital resources for primary and secondary teachers that provide guidance on innovative teaching techniques in mathematics and science;
- \$4.3 million over four years to appoint a National Mathematics and Science Education and Industry Adviser to the Office of the Chief Scientist to provide strategic advice, build connections between key stakeholders, and support the development of projects to support awareness and outreach initiatives that will increase participation and achievement in mathematics and science by secondary and tertiary students;
- \$3.0 million over four years to strengthen existing national advisory services for science and mathematics teachers, develop advice on best practice practical activities that can be delivered in schools, and develop online resources for science and mathematics teachers;

- \$2.4 million over three years from 2013-14 to extend funding for the Mathematics and Science Olympiads to help to build the profile and prestige of science and mathematics study and the teaching on which it is founded; and
- \$2.0 million over four years to support the continued delivery of the Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute's (AMSI) annual program of short intensive courses and research scholarships for mathematics, statistics and science students at the undergraduate, masters and PhD levels.

The Government will also target support for mathematics and science teachers as part of the development of Australian Curriculum Connect.

The cost of this measure will be partially offset by the redirection of \$4.5 million over two years from existing Commonwealth discretionary funding under the Smarter Schools National Partnership for Improving Teacher Quality.

### **Ministerial Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment — Secretariat services**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	..	0.1	..	-0.1	-0.1
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>	1.2	-	-	-	-
<i>Total - Revenue</i>	1.7	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8

The Government will provide \$16.5 million over five years to establish a centralised secretariat for the new Standing Council on Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment (SCOTESE) and other related Council of Australian Governments councils within the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education.

Consistent with the previous arrangements, the new centralised secretariat will be supported through additional state and territory government contributions estimated at \$3.7 million over four years.

The Government will cease funding for TVET Australia providing savings of \$1.2 million in 2011-12. It will also redirect \$7.0 million over five years from the National Skills Standards Council (NSSC) and \$13.5 million over five years from the National Training System Commonwealth Own Purpose Expenditure (NTS-COPE).

This measure will provide net savings of \$5.2 million over four years through efficiencies created by the centralisation of secretariat services. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

### **Murdoch University Px2 outreach program — expansion**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	5.0	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-5.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$5.0 million in 2011-12 for the expansion of the Murdoch University Px2 outreach program.

The Px2 outreach program supports partnerships between Murdoch University and government schools in the Peel and Rockingham/Kwinana regions, providing pathways to higher education for students from low socio-economic backgrounds. The measure will enable Murdoch University to increase the number of partner schools within the Px2 outreach program to 13, covering more than 8,000 students.

The cost of this measure will be met from a redirection of \$5.0 million made available as a result of the Western Australian Government's decision not to participate in the first stage of the National Partnership Agreement on Empowering Local Schools.

### **MySkills website — ongoing administration and enhancements**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	2.2	2.1	1.6	0.6

The Government will provide \$6.5 million over four years for the ongoing administration and enhancement of the MySkills website. The website will support skills development through the provision of comprehensive information on vocational education and training.

Further information can be found in the press release of 19 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

**National Foundation Skills Outreach and Leadership Project — community education campaign — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-1.4	-1.7	-3.1	-4.4

The Government will cease funding for the community education campaign component of the National Foundation Skills Outreach and Leadership Project. This will provide savings of \$10.5 million over four years to support other Government priorities.

The community education campaign was announced in the 2010-11 Budget as a joint Commonwealth-state initiative, designed to increase awareness of language, literacy and numeracy (LLN) initiatives and reduce the stigma for people with LLN skill development needs.

**National Skills Reform — changes to income contingent loans for Vocational Education and Training students**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	9.7	30.6	46.1	48.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	-1.8	2.7	32.0	41.8

The Government will provide \$60.0 million over four years to make changes to income contingent loan arrangements for publicly funded Vocational Education and Training (VET) students.

The extension of income contingent loans will be trialled for the following high-demand Certificate IV courses: aged care and community services; disability work and disability; plumbing and services; training and assessment; and competitive manufacturing. The trial will be conducted in Victoria and South Australia from 1 January 2013 and in all other states from 1 January 2014.

The Government announced in the 2010-11 Budget that it would extend access to VET FEE-HELP and income-contingent loans for students through approved VET providers at the Diploma level and above, in all States and Territories agreeing to significant VET reforms. All States and Territories signed the National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform on 13 April 2012 agreeing to deliver a range of structural reforms.

Details of the average weighted loan amounts are set out in the National Partnership Agreement.

State and Territory governments will be required to contribute 50 per cent of deferral costs associated with the loans, based on actual take-up and calculated in arrears.

**National Workforce Development Fund — additional support for mature age workers**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	5.0	10.0	10.0	10.0

The Government will provide an additional \$35.0 million over four years to the National Workforce Development Fund (NWDF) to improve the skills of mature age workers, aged 50 years and over, consistent with their workforce development needs.

In accordance with the NWDF program guidelines, organisations will be required to make a co-contribution of between 33 and 66 per cent of the cost of training provided to their employees depending on the size of the enterprise.

The NWDF was established in the 2011-12 Budget as part of the *Building Australia's Future Workforce* package to support training and workforce development in areas of current and future skills need. The NWDF forms part of the Australian Government SkillsConnect network, which was announced on 21 September 2011 to consolidate Government skills programs and better target training to meet industry and employer needs.

**National Workforce Development Fund — redirect funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-6.1	-6.0	-6.0	-

The Government will redirect \$18.1 million over three years from the National Workforce Development Fund (NWDF) to support the establishment of the Australian Skills Centres of Excellence.

The NWDF was established in the 2011-12 Budget as part of the *Building Australia's Future Workforce* package to support training and workforce development in areas of current and future skills need. The NWDF forms part of the Australian Government SkillsConnect network, which was announced on 21 September 2011 to consolidate the Government's skills programs and better target training to meet industry and employer needs.



See also the related expense measure titled *Australian Skills Centres of Excellence* in the Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education portfolio.

**Small Business Advisory Services program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9

The Government will provide \$27.5 million over four years to continue the Small Business Advisory Services (SBAS) program. The Government will also make SBAS an ongoing program. The SBAS program helps small businesses to improve sustainability, productivity and growth through providing access to low-cost business advisory services and activities to enhance business management skills.

Grants will be provided through a competitive, merit-based process to third-party service organisations to provide small businesses with access to general face-to-face business advisory services, including information and referral services.

**The Prime Minister’s Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Scholarship — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.4 million over four years to establish the Prime Minister’s Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Award to mark the 60th anniversary of the accession of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.

One scholarship will be awarded each year to a high achieving female student, providing up to \$118,500 over two years to undertake postgraduate study overseas in the field of women’s leadership.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education.

Further information can be found in the press release of 7 February 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

**University of Western Sydney — Female Orphan School restoration — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	7.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.0 million in 2011-12 to contribute to the cost of restoring the East Wing of the Female Orphan School located within the Parramatta campus of the University of Western Sydney.

The Female Orphan School was established in 1813 as the first purpose-built orphanage in Australia and is the nation’s oldest public building. Once restored, the East Wing of the building will provide a cultural hub in western Sydney and will accommodate the Whitlam Institute, the Whitlam Prime Ministerial Library and a public art gallery named in honour of the late Margaret Whitlam AO.

**VET FEE-HELP Assistance Scheme — redesign**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	0.6	0.4	0.3	0.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	1.6	0.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.6 million over four years (including \$2.2 million in capital funding) to support the expansion of income contingent loans for Vocational Education and Training (VET) students studying at the diploma level and above.

The funding includes:

- \$2.8 million over four years for enhancements to IT systems to streamline the exchange of information between the Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education and Registered Training Organisations; and
- \$0.9 million over four years for the National Centre for Vocational Education Research to expand and improve collection of VET FEE-HELP data from VET providers and graduates.

This measure will support the implementation of the 2010-11 Budget measure *Skills for Sustainable Growth – A Training System for the Future – A National Entitlement to a Quality Training Place* that provided access to income contingent loans for VET students studying at the diploma level and above in states and territories agreeing to undertake significant VET reforms. These arrangements will form part of the National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform that will commence on 1 July 2012.

**Vocational Education and Training National Support — redirection of funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-3.0	-14.9	-11.1	-4.1	-1.3

The Government will redirect uncommitted funds from the Vocational Education and Training (VET) National Programs. This will provide savings of \$34.4 million over five years from 2011-12 to support other Government priorities.

VET National Programs provide financial support for activities aimed at strengthening the National Training System through: support for industry, joint Commonwealth/State funding for group training, equity funding and VET system support.

Support for the VET sector will continue to be provided through the new \$1.75 billion reform based National Partnership Agreement on Skills Reform and the new National Agreement on Skills and Workforce Development, which will commence on 1 July 2012.

**Workforce Innovation Program — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-1.0	-4.9	-5.0	-6.1	-9.3

The Government will discontinue the Workforce Innovation Program from 2015-16. The program will be closed to new applications from 8 May 2012, allowing final funding decisions to be made by 30 June 2012. Funding will continue to be provided for agreed projects until 30 June 2015. This will provide savings of \$26.3 million over four years to support other Government priorities.

The Workforce Innovation Program provides grants to organisations, including industry associations and industry peak bodies, for non-ongoing pilot projects that address current and future workforce and skills development needs.

The Government will continue to support workforce innovation through the Australian Workforce and Productivity Agency, which will commence operations from 1 July 2012.

**Zelman Cowen John Monash Scholarships — establishment**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	6.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.0 million in 2011-12 to create two perpetual postgraduate scholarships in memory of former Governor-General Sir Zelman Cowen AK GCMG GCVO QC.

The scholarship will be awarded each year through a competitive process and provide up to \$150,000 over three years for each recipient to study at a leading international university. The scholarship will focus on building leadership and the capacity to contribute to Australia's interest.

The Commonwealth funding will be paid into the General Sir John Monash endowment fund with earnings used to fund the scholarships.

## INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT

### Building Australia Fund — Torrens and Goodwood Junctions rail project

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	-	232.1
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	232.1

The Government will provide \$232.1 million in 2015-16 from the Building Australia Fund to fund 50 per cent of the estimated cost of the Torrens and Goodwood Junctions rail project in South Australia. The project will ease congestion and improve rail network productivity by separating Adelaide's suburban rail network from the East-West freight network. This will remove bottlenecks that currently occur at the two junctions. Funding for this measure is conditional on the South Australian Government providing counterpart funding.

The cost of this measure has been offset by a provision for the Nation Building 2 Program previously included in the Contingency Reserve.

### Nation Building — additional funding for the Pacific Highway

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	-	231.0	1,025.0	1,400.0
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	231.0	1,025.0	1,400.0

The Government will make provision in the Nation Building Program of an additional \$3.6 billion over the period 2013-14 to 2016-17 as funding available to enable further major infrastructure projects.

This funding could be allocated towards the Pacific Highway duplication if the NSW Government was to request further additional funding on a 50/50 shared basis.

This measure involves bringing forward \$231.00 million from 2014-15 to 2013-14, which has been offset by a provision for the Nation Building 2 Program previously included in the Contingency Reserve.

**Nation Building — Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	10.0	30.0	20.0	20.0
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	10.0	30.0	20.0	20.0

The Government will provide \$140.0 million over seven years (including \$20.0 million per annum from 2016-17 to 2018-19) for the continuation of the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program. The program funds projects aimed at improving safety and productivity for the heavy vehicle industry and other road users, such as technology trials addressing speed and fatigue; construction of rest stops and parking on highways; and upgrades to freight routes.

See also the related expense measure titled *Heavy vehicle road user charging* in the Treasury portfolio.

**Nation Building 2 Program — Black Spots program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	60.0	60.0
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-	-	60.0	60.0

The Government will provide \$300.0 million over five years from 2014-15 to 2018-19 (\$60.0 million per annum) to continue the Black Spots program. The program funds infrastructure projects in dangerous road locations with the aim of reducing the risk of traffic accidents.

The cost of this measure has been offset by a provision for the Nation Building 2 Program previously included in the Contingency Reserve.

**Nation Building 2 Program — Roads to Recovery program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	350.0	350.0

The Government will provide \$1.75 billion over five years from 2014-15 to 2018-19 (\$350.0 million per annum) to continue the Roads to Recovery program. Under the program, funding is distributed to Australia's local councils, state and territory governments responsible for local roads in areas where there are no councils, and the Indian Ocean Territories to maintain and upgrade their local road networks.

The cost of this measure has been offset by a provision for the Nation Building 2 Program previously included in the Contingency Reserve.

**Nation Building Program — Northern Territory road projects**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	50.0	-	-	-	-
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	50.0	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$50.0 million in 2011-12 for road projects in the Northern Territory. This funding will be applied to current projects on the Central Arnhem Road and Port Keats Road designed to provide access to Indigenous communities, and projects on roads impacted by the Ichthys LNG project being undertaken by the INPEX Corporation.

As a result of revised Northern Territory Government priorities, the funding replaces a 2009-10 Budget commitment to provide \$50.0 million from the Building Australia Fund for a possible equity contribution to the then proposed Darwin Port Expansion project.

**Nation Building Program — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-1.0	-1.0
Department of the Treasury	-	-24.7	-8.7	-	-
Total - Expense	-	-24.7	-8.7	-1.0	-1.0

The Government will reduce the Nation Building Program by \$35.4 million over four years.

Of this, \$33.4 million over the two years from 2012-13 results from cost savings on existing projects within the Program. A further reduction of \$1.0 million in each of 2014-15 and 2015-16 has been made to the provision for the Nation Building 2 Program previously included in the Contingency Reserve.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government infrastructure priorities.

### National transport planning and the High Speed Rail Unit — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	3.0	3.0	7.0	7.0

The Government will provide \$20.0 million over four years to improve national transport planning. A particular focus for the additional funding will be to support the High Speed Rail Unit to continue to evaluate a High Speed Rail project on the Eastern seaboard of Australia.

### National Transport Regulatory reforms — implementation assistance

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	6.6	21.3	-	-	-
Australian Maritime Safety Authority	-	..	0.2	-	-
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-6.6	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-	21.3	0.2	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Maritime Safety Authority	-	2.4	7.5	-	-

The Government will provide \$37.9 million over three years to establish national transport regulators for heavy vehicles, rail safety and maritime safety. Under the National Transport Regulator reforms, States and Territories will implement national regulations to reduce the burden of having multiple jurisdictional requirements for heavy vehicles, rail and maritime operators.

The measure will provide the following funding:

- \$15.6 million over 2011-12 and 2012-13 to establish the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator in Queensland;
- \$9.2 million over 2011-12 and 2012-13 to establish the National Rail Safety Regulator in South Australia;
- \$10.1 million over 2012-13 and 2013-14 in capital and expenses to the Australian Maritime Safety Authority to develop and purchase a national information system to support its role as the National Maritime Safety Regulator; and
- \$1.0 million in 2011-12 to each of Tasmania, the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory to assist with the costs of implementing the national reforms.



National transport regulation reform is part of the national partnership agreement reached by the Council of Australian Governments to deliver a seamless national economy.

The 2011-12 cost of \$6.6 million will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Infrastructure and Transport.

Further information can be found in the press releases of 25 February 2010, 24 August 2011 and 4 April 2012 by the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.

**Seatbelts on regional school buses — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

The Government will provide \$4.0 million over four years to continue the seatbelts on regional school buses program to increase the number of school buses equipped with seat belts in rural and regional areas. The program provides grants to private rural and regional bus operators, of up to \$25,000 per existing in-service bus, to enable buses to be fitted with seat belts.

**Securing the Air Cargo Supply Chain — revised implementation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-19.6	-	-	-	-

The Government has identified \$19.6 million in savings from unspent funding in 2011-12.

Revised air cargo security arrangements are being developed in consultation with the cargo industry.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Temporary Assistance to Tasmanian exporters accessing international markets**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	20.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	20.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$20.0 million in 2011-12 to assist Tasmanian-based exporters to access international markets. This funding will assist in addressing the ports and shipping issues being encountered by Tasmanian-based exporters following the cessation of direct international liner shipping services to the state in 2011. The funds will be paid to the Tasmanian Government.

Further information can be found in the press release of 23 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.

**PARLIAMENT****Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Senate	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4

The Government will provide \$1.7 million over four years to the Department of the Senate to provide secretariat support for a newly established Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights.

**Support for the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit — Parliamentary Budget Office**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the House of Representatives	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

The Government will provide \$0.5 million over four years to support the Joint Committee of Public Accounts and Audit in its work relating to the operations of the Parliamentary Budget Office.

## PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

### Australia to host the Group of 20 in 2014

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	24.1	78.1	212.7	1.4
Department of the Treasury	-	3.4	35.1	4.6	0.8
<b>Total - Expense</b>	-	<b>27.5</b>	<b>113.2</b>	<b>217.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	9.6	1.0	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	1.3	-	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	-	<b>10.9</b>	<b>1.0</b>	-	-

The Government will provide \$326.9 million over four years to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet to host the Group of 20 in 2014. The funding will be used for the organisation and logistics of the leaders' summit and related policy development and coordination.

The Government will also provide the Department of the Treasury with \$45.2 million over four years for the organisation and logistics of the finance ministers' and central bank governors' meetings and related officials' meetings, and for related policy development on economic and financial issues.

The funding includes costs estimated to be incurred by other agencies including the Australian Federal Police, Australian Customs and Border Protection Service, the Australian Security Intelligence Organisation, the Attorney-General's Department, the Department of Immigration and Citizenship, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and COMCAR services in the Department of Finance and Deregulation.

### Australian Public Service Employment and Capability Strategy for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Employees — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Public Service Commission	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	-

The Government will provide \$1.8 million over three years to the Australian Public Service Commission to continue programs aimed at addressing recruitment and retention of Indigenous Australians in the APS.

## REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT

### Active After-School Communities program — extension

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Sports Commission	-	19.6	19.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$39.2 million over two years to continue the *Active After-School Communities* program for one calendar year until December 2013. The *Active After-School Communities* program provides funding to around 2,000 primary schools and 1,300 out-of-school-hours care services to deliver quality sport and other structured physical activity programs.

### Adelaide Oval Redevelopment — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	30.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	30.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$30.0 million in 2011-12 towards the redevelopment of the Adelaide Oval. The funding will go towards the construction of two underground car parks, as well as the creation of new wetlands and other enhancements around the Riverbank precinct. This is the Commonwealth's contribution to the Adelaide Oval upgrade project being undertaken with the South Australian Government.

Further information can be found in the press release of 28 December 2011 issued by the Prime Minister.

### Antipodes Centre for Greek Culture — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	2.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million in 2011-12 as a contribution towards the cost of the construction of the Antipodes Centre for Greek Culture, Heritage and Language in Melbourne. The Centre will showcase the contribution that the Greek community has made to Australia and how Australians of Greek origin identify with their culture, heritage and language.

The Centre will be run by the Greek Orthodox Community of Melbourne and Victoria and enable the exhibition of currently warehoused archives and other collection material, including those of the La Trobe University Hellenic Centre.

Further information can be found in the press release of 25 February 2012 issued by the Prime Minister, the Minister for the Arts, and the Parliamentary Secretary for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs.

### **Australian National Academy of Music — increased funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4

The Government will provide \$1.6 million over four years to the Australian National Academy of Music (ANAM) to continue training young classical musicians.

The Victorian Government will contribute capital works funding to the Australian National Academy of Music to support the expanded program.

### **Bellerive Oval — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	15.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$15.0 million in 2011-12 towards the redevelopment of Bellerive Oval in Hobart, Tasmania. This funding will contribute to the extension of the Southern Stand, increasing its capacity from 16,000 to 20,000.

The redevelopment of Bellerive Oval will enhance its capacity to host AFL games and cricket matches as part of the 2015 Cricket World Cup.

Further information can be found in the press release of 16 January 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

### **Boosting Music Industry Innovation and Exports**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	0.4	0.8	0.8	1.0

The Government will provide \$3.0 million over four years from 2012-13 to assist the Australian contemporary music industry.

This measure will provide \$1.7 million to Sounds Australia to support contemporary music artists by increasing the number and frequency of venues booking live music and to encourage international acts to use local support acts.

A further \$1.3 million will be provided to address workforce development issues identified through the Innovation & Business Skills Australian environmental scan of the Creative and Cultural industries. The West Australian Music Industry Association will deliver education and promotion resulting in new apprenticeships, an internship program for unemployed young people and a program of residencies to develop the song writing and performance skills of musicians.

### Community Street Soccer and Reclink

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	1.0	1.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million over two years to the *Community Street Soccer* program and \$0.6 million in 2013-14 to Reclink Australia. The *Community Street Soccer* program aims to assist homeless and unemployed people to reconnect with the community and regain self-esteem and independence through participating in sports. Reclink Australia delivers sport and recreation activities to vulnerable and isolated Australians, including those who experience mental illness, disability, homelessness, addictions and other forms of hardship.

### Cove Enterprise Hub — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	3.4	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.4 million in 2011-12 as a contribution to the Cove Enterprise Hub in Hallett Cove, South Australia.

The Cove Enterprise Hub project will provide an improved library service, a community hall and expanded community and business meeting spaces.

### Filming of The Wolverine — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	12.8	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$12.8 million in 2011-12 to attract production of the feature film *The Wolverine* to Australia. This measure is expected to provide a boost to the film production industry in Australia, creating an estimated 2,000 jobs and injecting some \$80 million into the local economy.

The Australian Government's contribution is in addition to the Location Tax Offset, which provides a 16.5 per cent refundable tax offset for the production of large-budget international film and television projects shot in Australia.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 20 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for the Arts.

### Football in Western Sydney — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	8.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.0 million in 2011-12 to support football in Western Sydney, including:

- \$5.0 million to Football Federation Australia, including \$1.0 million for the W-League, to help develop local players and teams from the grassroots to the elite level and to fund local football infrastructure and community engagement programs; and
- \$3.0 million to Football NSW towards the redevelopment of its headquarters at Parklea.

The cost of this measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Riverstone Football and Sporting Precinct Community Infrastructure Initiative* measure which was included in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 4 April 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Sport.



**Gunnedah Rural Museum — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	0.2	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.2 million in 2011-12 as a contribution to the Gunnedah Rural Museum in Gunnedah, New South Wales.

**Illicit Drugs in Sport — savings**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-1.4	-1.5	-1.3	-1.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.8 million over four years from the out-of-competition testing and research components of the *Illicit Drugs in Sport* (IDIS) program. The savings from the IDIS program will be achieved by delaying the full introduction of the out-of-competition testing and research components to additional National Sporting Organisations from 2014-15 to 2016-17.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Islamic Museum of Australia — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1.5	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.5 million in 2011-12 to support the construction and establishment of the first Islamic Museum of Australia in Melbourne. The aim of the Museum is to share the artistic and historical achievements of Muslims in Australia and internationally and, in so doing, foster a better understanding of the values and contributions of Muslims to Australian society.

The balance of the total construction cost has been raised from private contributions and funding from the Victorian Government.

### Jim Stynes Achievement Scholarships for Young Australians

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	3.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.0 million in 2011-12 to establish the Jim Stynes Achievement Scholarships to help young Australians to achieve their education, community and sporting goals.

The scholarships will be delivered in partnership with the Australian Football League (AFL). The AFL will provide an annual contribution of \$0.15 million for the next five years. The 37 scholarships per year will be administered by the Reach Foundation and the AFL, in partnership with the Government.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 23 March 2012 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Sport.

### King George V Sports and Community Precinct — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	8.7	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.7 million in 2011-12 to the Glenorchy City Council as a contribution towards the redevelopment of the King George V sports and community precinct in Glenorchy, Tasmania. The facility will benefit the local Glenorchy and wider Hobart communities and will include a dedicated office for the Migrant Resource Centre.

Further information can be found in the press release of 11 February 2012 issued by the Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government.

### Local Government Financial Assistance Grants — accelerating payments

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1,117.8	-1,117.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.1 billion in 2011-12 to local councils as the first two instalments of the expected 2012-13 Local Government Financial Assistance Grants. This will provide local governments with additional flexibility and assist them to respond to residual economic challenges arising from natural disasters in 2010-11 and 2011-12 and other pressures.

**Manuka Oval lighting upgrade — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	2.5	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	2.5	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.5 million to the Australian Capital Territory Government in 2011-12 as a contribution towards the upgrade of the lighting at Manuka Oval in Canberra. The total cost of the upgrade will be shared approximately equally between the Commonwealth Government and the Australian Capital Territory Government.

The improved lighting will enable Manuka Oval to host international cricket matches in the lead up to and during the 2015 International Cricket Council Cricket World Cup, which will be jointly hosted by Australia and New Zealand.

**National Capital Authority — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
National Capital Authority	-	2.4	2.9	3.3	3.3

The Government will provide \$11.9 million over four years to the National Capital Authority (NCA) in response to the review of the NCA by Dr Allan Hawke AC. This funding will help ensure the ongoing financial sustainability of the NCA, allow it to meet its obligations for heritage management under the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*, and improve its capacity to maintain the assets in the National Capital Estate.

**National Collecting Institutions — supplementary funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
National Archives of Australia	-	0.8	1.6	2.3	3.0
National Library of Australia	-	0.7	1.4	2.0	2.6
National Museum of Australia	-	0.6	1.1	1.7	2.1
Australian War Memorial	-	0.6	1.1	1.6	2.0
National Gallery of Australia	-	0.4	0.9	1.3	1.7
National Film and Sound Archive	-	0.4	0.7	1.0	1.3
Australian National Maritime Museum	-	0.3	0.6	0.9	1.1
Old Parliament House	-	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies	-	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	..	..	..
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4.2</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>11.8</b>	<b>15.1</b>

The Government will provide supplementary funding of \$39.3 million over four years from 2012-13 to Australia’s key collecting institutions. The increase in funding will further enhance the institutions’ capacity to deliver services and programs to the broader Australian community.

This includes funding of \$94,000 over three years from 2013-14 to the Bundanon Trust through the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.

**National Disaster Recovery Taskforce — extension**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	1.6	-	-	-
Attorney-General’s Department	-	-	1.0	-	-
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$2.6 million over two years to extend the operation of the National Disaster Recovery Taskforce by one year to the end of 2013. The extension is in response to the increased time granted to the Queensland Government for the completion of reconstruction projects. This will allow the Taskforce to continue to assess spending on recovery and reconstruction in response to the natural disasters of 2010-11.

**National Portrait Gallery — establishment as a statutory authority**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.7 million over three years from 2012-13 to establish the National Portrait Gallery as a separate statutory authority under the *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* from 1 July 2013.

This measure will support the establishment and operation of a governing board, and support the engagement of additional staff.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.

**Netball Australia — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will contribute \$2.5 million in 2011-12 towards the construction of a specialised facility for Netball Australia in Melbourne. The facility will include new headquarters for the Australian Netball Players Association and will also house the Australian Netball Collection and a Hall of Fame.

The cost of this measure will be met by reallocating funding from the *Indigenous Sport and Recreation Program* and the *Job Creation Package Sport and Recreation Program* in the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.

**Norfolk Island — further reforms**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.9 million towards the delivery of further reforms to the governance, environmental management and economy of Norfolk Island, including:

- a pest and disease survey, to inform consideration of Norfolk Island becoming an Australian international point of entry;

- the development of business cases to support future infrastructure development projects and the divestment of some public assets;
- a review of the Norfolk Island hospital against national standards;
- a strategic community plan and a community services hub;
- a historical review of the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area; and
- development of an appropriate waste management strategy for Norfolk Island.

The costs of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport.

### North Queensland Irrigated Agriculture Strategy

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	2.4	3.1	0.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.1 million of new funding, with a further \$0.8 million in-kind contribution from the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation, over three years towards a \$10.0 million strategy to realise the potential of new irrigated agriculture in North Queensland. The strategy will build on the existing *Northern Australia Sustainable Futures* program. The funding includes:

- \$6.8 million to conduct an assessment of the feasibility of developing surface water resources in the Flinders and Gilbert River catchments in North Queensland, and identify new irrigated agriculture techniques; and
- \$0.1 million to jointly fund a study of the viability of establishing a meat processing facility in North Queensland, with a further \$0.1 million from the Queensland Government.

The Queensland Government will contribute \$3.0 million to undertake on-farm demonstration projects and systems analysis to develop practical farming approaches.

Further information can be found in the press release of 15 December 2011 issued jointly by the Deputy Prime Minister, the Queensland Premier, the Minister for Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government and the Queensland Minister for Agriculture, Food and Regional Economies.

**Olympic Park Precinct Community Sports Centre — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	10.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$10.0 million in 2011-12 as a contribution towards the development of a new community sports centre in the Olympic Park precinct in Melbourne, Victoria. The centre will support community groups and grass roots sporting clubs, with an emphasis on supporting women's sport.

**Parliament House Walk — feasibility study**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	0.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.1 million in 2012-13 to undertake a feasibility study into a Parliament House Walk between the Civic Centre and Parliament House in Canberra.

The feasibility study will examine possible routes and signage for the walk.

**Port Macquarie foreshore works — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.0 million in 2011-12 as a contribution towards foreshore works in Port Macquarie, New South Wales.

These works will support the Port Macquarie Foreshore Masterplan developed by the Port Macquarie – Hastings Council.

**Private Sector Support for the Arts — amalgamation of Australian Business Arts Foundation with Artsupport**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	1.6	1.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.2 million over two years from 2012-13 to the Australian Business Arts Foundation (AbaF). This funding will support the continuation of AbaF and its amalgamation with the Australia Council’s Artsupport program to create a new entity from 1 July 2013.

The new entity would continue the functions of AbaF and Artsupport, which are to provide advisory and monitoring services to artists and arts organisations to help them leverage private sector funding.

The amalgamation, which was recommended by the Review of Private Sector Support for the Arts in Australia, will reduce duplication and improve coordination with the needs of the arts sector.

**Resale Royalty Scheme for Visual Artists — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	0.4	0.3	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.7 million over two years from 2012-13 to continue the Resale Royalty Scheme for Visual Artists.

This measure will assist Copyright Agency Limited, an independent collecting agency, to collect royalties when an artist’s work is resold and return the proceeds to the artist.



**Riverstone Football and Sporting Precinct Community Infrastructure Initiative — redirection**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-5.0	-3.0	-	-

The Government will redirect \$8.0 million over two years from the 2011-12 Budget measure *Riverstone Football and Sporting Precinct Community Infrastructure Initiative*, which was to provide funding to Football NSW, as a contribution towards the construction of a football and sporting precinct at Riverstone West in Sydney. Football NSW has decided not to continue with this project and will remain at its current headquarters at Parklea.

See also the related expense measure titled *Football in Western Sydney – contribution*.

**Saving Lives in the Water — Under Fives — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.0 million over four years to continue to support under fives water safety, including the 'Kids Alive' initiative to reduce drowning injuries and deaths in children aged up to five, also including:

- the distribution of a DVD featuring water safety messages to new parents in Australia; and
- the development and distribution of early childhood learning resources to support the delivery of the water safety curriculum.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

**Statue of Slim Dusty and Joy McKean — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	..	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$30,000 in 2011-12 as a contribution towards a statue in Tamworth to pay tribute to Slim Dusty and Joy McKean.

### Supporting Football in the lead up to the 2015 Asian Cup

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.5 million in 2011-12 to Football Federation Australia (FFA) to ensure the continuing sustainability of football in the lead up to the 2015 Asian Football Confederation Asian Cup. The Government committed to provide this funding contingent upon the FFA implementing the recommendations of the Smith Review.

In 2011, a comprehensive and detailed review was undertaken into all aspects of football in Australia. The FFA has formally accepted the findings of the review and has agreed to adopt the recommendations made.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

### Sustainable Australia — promotion of regional living — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-2.1	-4.3	-4.4	-0.1	-

The Government will redirect funding from the *Sustainable Australia – promoting regional living* program, which was announced in the 2011-12 Budget. This measure will provide savings of \$10.9 million over four years from 2011-12.

The funding was originally planned to support non-capital cities to conduct targeted marketing strategies to promote the benefits and opportunities of living and working in regional cities.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities in regional Australia.

**Sydney Cricket Ground upgrade — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	50.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	50.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$50.0 million in 2011-12 towards the upgrade of the Sydney Cricket Ground. The project to replace the Noble, Bradman and Dally Messenger stands, is expected to cost \$186.0 million and will be jointly funded by the Australian Government, the New South Wales Government and the Sydney Cricket and Sports Ground Trust.

Further information can be found in the press release of 3 January 2012 issued by the Prime Minister.

**Tamworth community facilities for children — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	0.1	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$50,000 in 2011-12 as a contribution towards community facilities for children in Tamworth, New South Wales.

This contribution is dependent upon a matching funding contribution from the Tamworth Regional Council.

**Taree foreshore development — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1.2	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.2 million in 2011-12 as a contribution towards the development of the Manning River foreshore in Taree, New South Wales.

The development will provide recreational facilities and help connect the foreshore with the city of Taree.

**Wayne Richards Park — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1.8	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.8 million in 2011-12 as a contribution towards the completion of the Wayne Richards Park sports complex in Port Macquarie, New South Wales, including the resurfacing of the Port Macquarie Hockey Field.

The Wayne Richards Park sports complex supports football, cricket, athletics and hockey in the Port Macquarie area.

## RESOURCES, ENERGY AND TOURISM

### Asia Marketing Fund — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism	-	8.5	14.0	17.5	21.0

The Government will provide \$61.0 million over four years to establish an Asia Marketing Fund. The fund will support the promotion of Australia to growing markets in Asia and is intended to encourage investment by the private sector, and State and Territory governments.

The fund will be administered by Tourism Australia.

The cost of this measure will be met from an increase in the Passenger Movement Charge.

See also the related revenue measure titled *Passenger Movement Charge – increase* in the Attorney-General's portfolio.

### Clean Energy Future — Energy Market Reform

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism	0.9	1.6	1.2	1.2	-

The Government will provide \$5.0 million over four years to progress further work on the reform of Australia's energy markets, including:

- commissioning the Productivity Commission to examine the use of benchmarking as a means of achieving the efficient delivery of network services and electricity infrastructure and to assess whether the current regulatory framework is delivering efficient levels of transmission interconnection to support the operation of the National Electricity Market;
- bringing forward the scheduled review of the current limited merits review appeal process for network cost determinations, to help ensure it is delivering effective outcomes that are fair for both consumers and network businesses;
- conducting a scoping study on the establishment of an energy information hub to improve energy information disclosure by retailers and distributors in order to help consumers to better understand and manage their energy use; and
- continuing the reform agenda of the Standing Council on Energy and Resources to assist in mitigating electricity price pressures.

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This measure delivers on the Government's plan for a clean energy future.

Further information on the Productivity Commission review can be found in the press release of 9 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Resources and Energy.

## SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES

### Antarctica — continuation of shipping support

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.7 million over two years from 2012-13 to maintain shipping logistical support for Australia's Antarctic program.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

### Antarctica — maintaining Australia's presence

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	11.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$11.2 million in 2012-13 to maintain functions that support Australia's presence in Antarctica. The funding will contribute to the maintenance of station operations and Antarctic science projects.

### Australia-Antarctica Airlink — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$23.1 million over two years from 2012-13 to continue the operation of the Australia-Antarctica Airlink, a direct air connection between Hobart and Antarctica.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

**Bureau of Meteorology — increased frontline capabilities**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Bureau of Meteorology	-	4.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.8 million in 2012-13 to improve the Bureau of Meteorology’s frontline regional severe weather and flood forecasting capabilities. The measure is in response to a review of the Bureau of Meteorology’s capacity to respond to future extreme weather and natural disaster events and to provide seasonal forecasting services.

The cost of this measure will be partially met from within the existing resourcing of the Bureau of Meteorology.

See also the related savings measure titled *Bureau of Meteorology – cease relocation of the Wollongong radar*.

**Bureau of Meteorology — website advertising — one-year trial**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Bureau of Meteorology	-	0.3	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>	-	<i>nfp</i>	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.3 million in 2012-13 to enable the Bureau of Meteorology to conduct a one-year trial of advertising on its website. The trial will assist the Government to determine the long-term feasibility of advertising, potential revenue and the level of public acceptance. Revenue from the trial will contribute to meeting the costs of the services provided by the Bureau.

The Bureau’s website is one of the top ten visited websites in Australia, with more than 3.3 billion page views recorded in 2011.

In order to protect the Bureau’s position in any negotiations with potential advertisers, the estimated revenue from this measure is not for publication.



**Caring for our Country — continuation**

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	10.9	10.0	15.0	15.0	15.0
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-0.3	-2.5	-	-	-
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-10.6	-20.7	-15.0	-15.0	-15.0
Total - Expense	-	-13.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.2 billion over five years from 2013-14 to 2017-18 (\$399.3 million in 2013-14, \$406.3 million in 2014-15, \$464.4 million in 2015-16, \$463.8 million in 2016-17 and \$463.4 million in 2017-18) for the next phase of the Caring for our Country program. Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

The Caring for our Country program will be delivered under two streams: a national sustainable environment stream, which will include the Working on Country and Environmental Stewardship programs; and a national sustainable agriculture stream, which will include the Landcare program. Funding under the Natural Heritage Trust will be split between the two streams.

From 2013-14 Caring for our Country will focus on:

- sustaining the national effort required to ensure that nationally significant environmental assets and productive landscapes are safeguarded;
- contributing to the costs associated with the Commonwealth meeting its international obligations to protect and conserve environmental assets of international significance;
- contributing to the long-term sustainability of Australia's food and fibre production; and
- contributing to the maintenance of healthy ecosystems essential to national wellbeing.

The measure includes \$95.9 million over seven years from 2011-12 (including \$15.0 million per annum in 2016-17 and 2017-18) to address animal and plant pest and disease eradication, in conjunction with the States and Territories. This funding will be delivered by the Department of the Treasury through a National Partnership Agreement.

This measure will provide savings of \$123.2 million over four years from 2012-13. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities. Provision for \$110.0 million of these savings has already been included in the forward estimates as an offset for funding to assist the Tasmanian forestry industry to move to a more sustainable footing.

**Commonwealth Environmental Water Office — reduced funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-1.8	-2.7	-2.7	-2.3

The Government will reduce funding by \$13.2 million over seven years (including \$1.6 million in 2016-17, \$1.3 million in 2017-18 and \$0.7 million in 2018-19) to the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office.

The remaining program funding of \$126.1 million over seven years will enable the Commonwealth Environmental Water Office to continue to manage the Government’s water holdings.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act — implementation of reforms**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	5.4	5.0	8.1	8.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	4.1	7.8	12.0	14.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	1.5	1.5	2.0	0.5

The Government will provide \$37.8 million over four years to implement reforms to the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (the Act). The main elements of the reforms include: improving the environmental impact assessment process; moving towards landscape-based environmental protection approaches; improving the process for identifying and managing species and environments under threat; simplifying the listing process for national and Commonwealth heritage and improving protection of Indigenous heritage; and strengthening the arrangements for the five-yearly State of the Environment Report.

This measure includes capital funding of \$5.5 million to develop and implement an integrated information technology system to support administration of the Act.

The cost of the reforms will be offset through enhanced cost recovery arrangements from December 2012, including their extension to environmental impact assessments. These changes are estimated to increase revenue by \$38.1 million over four years.

The cost of this measure will also be partially met from the existing resourcing of the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities.

This measure delivers on the Government's response to the Independent Review of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

### Great Barrier Reef Foundation — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	3.1	3.1	3.1

The Government will provide \$12.5 million over four years from 2013-14 (including \$3.1 million in 2016-17) to the Great Barrier Reef Foundation to assist its research vision of 'Resilient Coral Reefs Successfully Adapting to Climate Change'. The contribution will be directed towards research to protect and preserve the Great Barrier Reef, in particular in response to climate change.

### Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority — Ensuring the Resilience of the Reef — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.0 million over two years to supplement the base funding of the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority to ensure it can continue to deliver on its objectives. This measure includes funding for the continuation of the community-based *Reef Guardian* initiative and support systems for research and on-ground management.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the *Caring for our Country* program.

**Kokoda Track and region — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$12.5 million over four years from 2012-13 to continue to assist in the management and long-term protection of the Kokoda Track and region. The funding will enable the Australian Government to continue to support the Government of Papua New Guinea to achieve the goals set out in the *Second Joint Understanding 2010-2015 between Papua New Guinea and Australia on the Owen Stanley Ranges, Brown River Catchment and Kokoda Track Region*.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of AusAID.

**Melbourne Royal Exhibition Building — protection and promotion — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	20.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	20.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$20.0 million in 2011-12 to Museum Victoria as a contribution towards the protection and promotion of the World Heritage listed Royal Exhibition Building in Melbourne.

Funding for this measure will be administered by the Department of the Treasury, through the Federal Financial Relations Framework.

**National Water Commission — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
National Water Commission	-	-2.3	-1.3	-1.2	-1.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>National Water Commission</i>	-	-	1.2	-	-

The Government will provide \$35.6 million over four years (including \$1.2 million in capital funding in 2013-14) to continue the operation of the National Water Commission from 1 July 2012. The Commission will focus on the audit and evaluation of the effectiveness of the implementation of the Murray-Darling Basin Plan; and monitoring and assessment of progress in the implementation of water reform, particularly under the National Water Initiative. The changes follow a review commissioned by the Australian Government, on behalf of the Council of Australian Governments, in accordance with the requirements of the *National Water Commission Act 2004*.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

The measure will provide savings of \$4.7 million over four years. These savings will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 14 March 2012 issued by the Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water.

**Raising National Water Standards Program and the Australian Water Fund — termination**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
National Water Commission	-20.9	-	-	-	-

The Government will cease funding to the *Raising National Water Standards* program.

The measure will provide savings of \$20.9 million in 2011-12. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 14 March 2012 issued by the Parliamentary Secretary for Sustainability and Urban Water.

**Regional Marine Planning Program — continuation**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Total - Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$58.2 million over six years (\$9.5 million in 2012-13, \$9.6 million in 2013-14, \$9.6 million in 2014-15, \$9.7 million in 2015-16, \$9.9 million in 2016-17 and \$9.9 million in 2017-18) to continue the *Regional Marine Planning Program*. The funding will allow completion of residual marine planning activities, and support the implementation and management of declared marine reserves networks and marine bioregional plans.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

The Government will provide a further \$0.3 million over four years for the Department of Finance and Deregulation to conduct Gateway Reviews of the implementation of the program. The cost of the reviews will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

**Remediation of land affected by the Tiwi Islands Plantation project — contribution**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities</i>	-	1.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.0 million over four years as a contribution towards the implementation of a Rehabilitation Management Plan by the Tiwi Land Council on land affected by the Tiwi Islands Plantation project in the Northern Territory.

The cost of this measure will be met by calling on a \$1.0 million bank guarantee provided as security by the original proponent of the plantation project for the implementation of the Rehabilitation Management Plan.

**Water for the Future — Driving Reform in the Murray-Darling Basin — reduced funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-22.2

The Government will reduce departmental funding by \$61.2 million over two years (including \$39.0 million in 2016-17) for the Driving Reform in the Murray-Darling Basin program.

The remaining program funding of \$234.2 million over five years from 2012-13 will enable the Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities to continue delivery of the governance and operational reforms for the integrated management of water resources in the Murray-Darling Basin.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Water for the Future — National Urban Water and Desalination Plan — reduced funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-25.7	-	-	-	-

The Government will reduce funding by \$25.7 million in 2011-12 by funding fewer projects under the National Urban Water and Desalination Plan.

The remaining program funding of \$201.9 million over four years from 2012-13 will continue to be available for desalination, recycling and stormwater harvesting projects.

**Water for the Future — National Water Security Plan for Cities and Towns — reduction in funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-6.5	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-10.0	-	-	-	-
Total - Expense	-16.5	-	-	-	-

The Government will reduce funding by \$16.5 million in 2011-12 for the National Water Security Plan for Cities and Towns, including \$10.0 million in payments to the states. Funding will no longer be provided for a number of urban water projects where proponents have not met the conditions of their funding agreements or due diligence requirements.

The remaining program funding of \$96.0 million over four years from 2012-13 will remain available for projects that reduce water losses in cities and towns nationally with populations of less than 50,000.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

**Water for the Future — On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency — expansion**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$150.0 million over six years (\$4.0 million in 2012-13, \$25.0 million in 2013-14, \$75.0 million in 2014-15, \$29.0 million in 2015-16, \$10.0 million in 2016-17 and \$7.0 million in 2017-18) to expand the On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency program. The program provides grants to irrigators to modernise their on-farm irrigation infrastructure in return for providing water savings to the environment.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Program.



**Water for the Future — Strategic Sub-System Reconfiguration — pilot program**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$200.0 million over four years (\$25.0 million in 2012-13, \$50.0 million in 2013-14, \$75.0 million 2014-15, and \$50.0 million in 2015-16) to pilot a program to integrate water recovery with the strategic reconfiguration of irrigation delivery networks. The program will provide funding for the purchase of water entitlements, the decommissioning of under-utilised or inefficient water delivery infrastructure, a replacement stock and domestic supply system if required and a disconnection incentive. The program will replace the existing Irrigator-led Group Proposals program.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure and Restoring the Balance in the Murray-Darling Basin programs.

## TREASURY

### Australian Competition and Consumer Commission — additional legal expense funding

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	-	4.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.3 million in 2012-13 to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to fund additional external legal costs, reflecting the increasing complexity of legal cases undertaken by the ACCC in performing its statutory duties.

### Australian Prudential Regulation Authority — sustaining capacity

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority	-	15.7	16.2	19.7	23.8
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Prudential Regulation Authority</i>	-	18.9	20.0	19.7	23.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Prudential Regulation Authority</i>	-	3.2	3.7	-	-

The Government will provide \$82.4 million over four years (including capital funding of \$6.9 million over two years) to the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA) to ensure APRA's continued capacity to supervise Australia's financial system, including the implementation of global regulatory reforms. The additional capital funding will provide for an upgrade of APRA's ICT infrastructure.

The cost of this measure will be fully recovered through financial sector levies paid by APRA regulated entities.

### Australian Screen Production Incentive — Producer Offset — defining a documentary

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will insert a definition of documentary, and related terms, into the legislation governing the producer offset. It will apply to films where principal photography commences on or after 1 July 2012.

The producer offset provides a refundable tax offset to eligible categories of film and television productions, including documentaries, that have significant Australian content (or are made as official co-productions) and meet minimum qualifying expenditure thresholds.

This measure will clarify the intended application of the producer offset by providing a definition of documentary and of related terms.

This integrity measure is expected to have no budget impact over the forward estimates period.

### **Australian Securities and Investments Commission — enhanced market supervision**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	12.3	5.5	4.6	5.0
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	1.5	7.0	9.4	15.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	2.2	7.7	6.0	0.4

The Government will provide \$43.7 million over four years (including \$16.3 million in capital) to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission to replace its current market surveillance system with an enhanced, integrated system with increased data mining and analysis capacity.

The cost of this measure will be offset by additional fees of \$33.0 million over four years on market operators and participants.

See also the related measure titled *Competition for Market Services* in the 2011-12 Budget.

### **Australian Securities and Investments Commission — operational funding**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	15.5	28.8	28.8	28.8

The Government will provide \$101.9 million over four years to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) for its operational funding. ASIC previously received non-ongoing funding to cover operating activities, including \$28.8 million in 2011-12. Provision of this funding enables ASIC to continue to provide current levels of regulation and supervision of the financial market.

See also the related expense measure *Australian Securities and Investment Commission – enhanced market supervision*, and the 2011-12 Budget measure *Australian Securities and Investments Commission – additional funding*.

### **Economic Potential of Senior Australians — Advisory Panel on Positive Ageing**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of the Treasury	-	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2

The Government will provide \$4.7 million over four years to establish a new ongoing Advisory Panel on Positive Ageing and to conduct a review of the legislation that protects volunteers from civil liability for acts or omissions made in good faith.

The role of the Advisory Panel is to lead national dialogue on ageing issues, improve coordination of policy design across portfolios, and to work with the Government in implementing initial responses and developing longer term responses to recommendations made in the *Turning Grey into Gold* report.

This measure forms part of the Government’s response to the recommendations of the Advisory Panel on the Economic Potential of Senior Australians.

### **Future of Financial Advice Reform**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	3.1	7.7	6.7	5.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	4.0	10.4	5.3	5.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	1.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$23.9 million over four years to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission to facilitate the implementation of the Future of Financial Advice reforms.

In order to recover these costs, the application fee to obtain an Australian financial services (AFS) licence will increase from either \$287 or \$575 (depending on method of application) to \$1,485 for a body corporate and from either \$159 or \$351 (depending on method of application) to \$825 for a natural person and the annual lodgement fee for an AFS licence holder will increase from \$351 to \$549 for a body corporate and from \$144 to \$225 for a natural person.

### Heavy Vehicle Road User Charging

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	-	-166.0	-172.0	-177.0	-183.0

The Government will increase the Road User Charge, collected by the Commonwealth from fuel which is used by registered vehicles with a gross mass of greater than 4.5 tonnes operating on a public road for business purposes. From 1 July 2012 the Road User Charge will increase from 23.1 to 25.5 cents per litre. This will reduce the fuel tax credit paid by the Commonwealth to eligible heavy vehicle operators.

This measure will provide estimated savings of \$698.0 million over four years.

This change to the Road User Charge was recommended by the National Transport Commission (NTC) and agreed by the Commonwealth and State and Territory Transport Ministers. The NTC is responsible for conducting an annual assessment of these charges to ensure they remain in line with heavy vehicle share of road use. This increase in the rate is contingent on implementation of a revised Road User Charge Determination to be made under the *Fuel Tax Act 2006*.

See also the related expense measure titled *Nation Building – Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program – continuation* in the Infrastructure and Transport portfolio.

### Petrol Commissioner and formal monitoring of petrol prices — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	-	0.9	0.9	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.7 million over two years to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to continue the role of the Petrol Commissioner and the formal monitoring of petrol prices under Part VIIA of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, for calendar year 2013.

Funding was originally provided in the 2008-09 Budget to December 2010 and continued in the 2010-11 Budget and in the 2011-12 Budget.

### Statistics on foreign ownership in the agricultural sector

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Bureau of Statistics	-	0.8	0.5	0.1	0.4

The Government will provide \$1.7 million over four years to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) to undertake data collection and statistical work on foreign ownership in the agricultural sector.

This will fund an ongoing and expanded statistical data collection by the ABS, providing greater transparency on foreign investment in agriculture.

Further information can be found in the press release of 18 January 2012 issued by the Assistant Treasurer.

### **Stronger Super — implementation of SuperStream reforms**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Taxation Office	18.3	62.7	93.3	71.8	58.7
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	0.3	1.4	1.9	1.9	2.4
Department of the Treasury	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.2
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>64.7</b>	<b>95.5</b>	<b>73.9</b>	<b>61.2</b>
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Prudential Regulation Authority	-	121.5	111.1	83.1	69.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	12.3	22.3	12.7	7.0	6.7
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	0.2	3.1	2.9	2.3	1.4
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>12.5</b>	<b>25.4</b>	<b>15.6</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>8.1</b>

The Government will provide \$467.1 million over seven years (including \$41.2 million in 2016-17 and \$40.9 million in 2017-18) to implement the SuperStream reforms that are part of the package of Stronger Super reforms. These changes implement the recommendations of the independent Super System Review (Cooper Review) of superannuation. They are designed to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the superannuation system through the better use of technology and by standardising data and payment requirements for member related superannuation transactions (such as contributions and rollovers).

In order to realise the full benefits of SuperStream, up-front investment is required in information technology systems for key agencies such as the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

The Government provided initial funding of \$14.6 million to the ATO in the 2011-12 Budget to develop a business case and undertake initial expenditure on the SuperStream project.

The cost of implementing the SuperStream reforms will be recovered through a temporary levy on Australian Prudential Regulatory Authority regulated funds from 2012-13.

Further information can be found in the Government Response to the Super System Review at <http://strongersuper.treasury.gov.au>.

### **Stronger Super — self managed superannuation funds auditor registration**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	2.1	1.3	1.2	1.2
Australian Taxation Office	4.5	1.4	1.2	1.0	1.0
<b>Total - Expense</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.2</b>
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	9.0	5.2	5.5	5.8
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	-0.5	..	-0.2	-0.2
<b>Total - Revenue</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.6</b>
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	5.0	-	-	-
Australian Taxation Office	1.5	-	-	-	-
<b>Total - Capital</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>

The Government will provide \$10.7 million over four years (including \$5 million in capital funding in 2012-13) to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) to develop and maintain an on-line registration system for auditors of self managed superannuation funds (SMSFs).

These changes implement the recommendations of the independent Super System Review (Cooper Review) of superannuation. They are designed to ensure high standards from the audit professionals who are at the forefront of ensuring that the self-managed superannuation sector is well managed.

As part of the registration process, ASIC will develop a competency exam for SMSF auditors. ASIC will also be responsible for the deregistration of non-compliant auditors. Auditors may begin to register with ASIC from 31 January 2013.

The Government will also provide \$10.6 million over five years (including \$1.5 million in capital funding in 2011-12) to the Australian Taxation Office to police registered auditors, check their compliance with competency standards set by ASIC and refer auditors to ASIC, for enforcement action.

The cost of this measure will be offset by increases in the SMSF levy and fees charged by ASIC for sitting the competency exam.

Initial funding for this measure was provided in the 2011-12 Budget as part of the measure titled *Stronger super – self managed super funds*.

## VETERANS' AFFAIRS

### Anzac Centenary Program 2014-18

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	12.0	15.1	16.0	6.9
Attorney-General's Department	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-	-	0.6	0.3
Total - Expense	-	12.2	15.3	16.8	7.4
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian War Memorial	-	3.8	18.0	5.2	-

The Government will provide \$83.5 million over seven years (including \$4.9 million from 2016-17 to 2018-19) to fund a program of initiatives to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the First World War and the Anzac Centenary. This will assist the community to honour the service and sacrifice of Australians throughout the anniversary period from 2014 to 2018, focusing on the centenary of the landing of the first Anzacs at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915.

This measure includes:

- \$27.0 million for the refurbishment of the Australian War Memorial's First World War Galleries;
- \$9.5 million for a grants program to help local communities around Australia commemorate the Anzac Centenary;
- \$8.1 million to upgrade and enhance the maintenance of war graves and memorials by the Office of Australian War Graves in the period leading up to the Anzac Centenary;
- an additional \$5.6 million for the construction and fit-out of the Anzac Interpretive Centre in Albany, Western Australia;
- \$3.4 million to establish an online community portal to share personal stories and provide multimedia resources, including historical film records, interviews, web links and GPS capability, to educate young Australians and families especially about Australia's involvement in the First World War and the Anzac legacy;
- \$4.7 million for an Arts and Culture Fund to support Australian artists and cultural institutions to undertake activities that showcase our military history;
- \$14.4 million to safely and effectively manage the increased demand to attend overseas commemoration services during the Anzac Centenary;



- \$10.4 million to support the work of the Anzac Centenary Advisory Board and its six Working Groups, and fund activities to increase the community's knowledge of the Centenary program and Australia's military history and sacrifice; and
- \$0.5 million to conduct scoping studies for two further projects – an Anzac Centenary community outreach program and a restaging of the first convoy that departed Albany in November, 1914.

Further information can be found in the press releases of 16, 18 and 24 April 2012 issued jointly by the Prime Minister and the Minister Assisting the Prime Minister on the Centenary of Anzac.

### Digital Productivity — Trial of In-Home Telehealth for Veterans

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.1 million over four years to trial home-based telehealth for around 300 veterans living in communities which will be first to benefit from the National Broadband Network.

Commencing in July 2012, the trial will demonstrate the potential for tele-monitoring and video consultations to improve the management of veterans' complex chronic conditions and reduce preventable hospitalisations.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2011-12 Budget.

Further information can be found in the press release of 29 November 2011 issued jointly by the Minister for Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy and the Minister for Veterans' Affairs.

This measure is part of the Government's broader digital economy strategy.

### Reclassification of Australian Defence Force service — Operation Quickstep (Tonga)

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	..	..	0.1	0.1

The Government will provide \$0.2 million over four years to recognise the operational service provided by Australian Defence Force (ADF) personnel who assisted the Government of Tonga with the restoration of law and order in November 2006 as part of Operation Quickstep (Tonga).

This measure reclassifies the nature of service of Operation Quickstep (Tonga) from 'peacetime' to 'non-warlike' during the period 17 to 28 November 2006. It will provide around 60 current and former ADF personnel with enhanced access to compensation and health benefits provided under the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004*.

### Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — New listings and price increases

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	..	..	..	..	..

The Government has agreed to a number of new listings on the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS) from 1 March 2012. The new listings have been recommended by the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Reference Committee, which advises on the clinical appropriateness of items to be made available under the RPBS.

The Government has also agreed to small price increases for suppliers from 1 March 2012 on a range of items already listed on the RPBS.

These changes to RPBS listings will result in a saving of \$0.1 million over five years, primarily due to the cost of new items being less than comparable items already listed.

The RPBS was established to meet the specific clinical needs of veterans with health conditions arising from war or military service.

### Review of Military Compensation Arrangements — Government response

Expense (\$m)

	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	2.1	4.5	3.2	2.4
Department of Defence	-	-	1.2	1.2	1.2
Total - Expense	-	2.1	5.7	4.4	3.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	1.6	-	-	-
<i>Department of Defence</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Total - Capital</i>	-	1.6	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$17.4 million over four years (including \$1.6 million in capital funding in 2012-13) to implement its response to the *Review of Military Compensation Arrangements* (the Review). This funding will improve benefits for members and former members of the Australian Defence Force and their dependants. It will also simplify access to rehabilitation and compensation, and streamline access to medical treatment.

This measure includes:

- introducing a new method for calculating compensation for transitional permanent impairment claims under the *Military Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2004* (MRCA);
- providing the Repatriation Health Card for Specific Conditions (the White Card) and supplementary payments for pharmaceuticals to former Australian Defence Force members with chronic health conditions that are accepted under Part XI of the *Safety, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 1988* (SRCA);
- providing earlier access to permanent impairment payments under the MRCA for claimants with multiple conditions;
- increasing the Eligible Young Person periodic payment under the MRCA for compensation following death;
- increasing the maximum amount of financial assistance available under the MRCA for financial and legal advice, from \$1,544 to \$2,400, for beneficiaries who have to make a choice about how to receive their benefits; and
- implementing initiatives to better educate claimants, their representatives, and health providers to ensure that they are well informed about MRCA entitlements in the event of injury or death.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment to respond to the Review to ensure services and support for veterans and serving members evolve with their needs.

### **Suicide awareness and prevention — continuation of Operation Life**

Expense (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	0.1	0.1	0.1

The Government will provide \$0.4 million over three years to extend the delivery of *Operation Life*.

This measure will allow the Veteran and Veterans Families Counselling Service to continue to offer Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training, safeTALK and Tune-Up workshops, which contribute to the prevention of suicide and the promotion of mental health and resilience across the ex-service community.



## Part 3: Capital Measures

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup>**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY</b>					
	<i>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>					
	Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System					
79	– maintaining core biosecurity operations(b)	-	1.0	1.0	-	-
295	– new Post-Entry Quarantine facility	-	-	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	-	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	-	-
	<b>ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S</b>					
	<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>					
84	Document Verification Service — extension to the private sector(b)	-	-	1.5	-	-
90	Official development assistance — Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Australian Crime Commission</i>					
43	Tax compliance — maintaining the cross agency approach to preventing abuse of secrecy jurisdictions (Project Wickenby)(c)	-	..	-	-	-
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
	Australian Customs and Border Protection Service					
81	– Increased use of SmartGate capability(b)	-	5.2	2.7	-	-
81	– Long Term Ashmore Reef Capability(b)	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
296	– redirection of capital spending	-	-4.8	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9
86	Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability — share arrangement for Southern Ocean surveillance(b)	-	-	-	0.5	-
	<i>Australian Federal Police</i>					
83	Australian Federal Police — forensic facility(b)	-	-	-	-	-
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan — an integrated whole-of-government approach — continuation(b)	-	2.5	-	-	-
	Official development assistance					
89	– extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste(b)	-	0.1	-	-	-
90	– Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	0.7	0.1	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	-	<b>3.7</b>	<b>-0.7</b>	<b>-4.4</b>	<b>-4.9</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
<b>BROADBAND, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY</b>						
<i>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</i>						
91	Australian Broadcasting Corporation — regional radio services(b)	5.0	-	-	-	-
92	Digital Productivity — Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) Digital Classroom — National Online Education Portal(b)	-	-	-	-	-
97	Spectrum — support for clearance of the 2.5 GHz band(b)	-	12.1	-	-	-
<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>						
94	Digital Television Switchover — spectrum restacking(b)	-	-	0.1	0.1	-
<i>Department of Broadband, Communications and the Digital Economy</i>						
94	Digital Television Switchover — spectrum restacking(b)	-	-	0.2	0.2	-
<i>Special Broadcasting Service Corporation</i>						
96	Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — additional funding(b)	5.0	3.0	-	-	-
96	— free-to-air Indigenous television service(b)	-	2.9	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>10.0</b>	<b>18.0</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>CROSS PORTFOLIO</b>						
<i>Various Agencies</i>						
146	Replacing the Education Tax Refund with a Schoolkids Bonus(b)	0.5	3.4	0.1	0.1	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>0.5</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>DEFENCE</b>						
<i>Department of Defence</i>						
297	Bushmaster vehicles — acquisition of long-lead supplies	-	-	-	-	-
297	C-17A Globemaster aircraft — acquisition	-	-	-	-	-
298	CH-47D Chinook Fleet — acquisition of two additional helicopters	-	-	-	-	-
298	Defence — efficiencies and reprogramming	-	-869.1	-1,463.3	-1,023.7	-1,533.2
299	Electronic Warfare System — long-lead item equipment purchase	-	-	-	-	-
301	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank In Western Sydney — Defence relocation	-	-	-	-	-
299	Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability — acquisition of an Offshore Support Vessel	-	-	-	-	-
284	Review of Military Compensation Arrangements — Government response(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>-869.1</b>	<b>-1,463.3</b>	<b>-1,023.7</b>	<b>-1,533.2</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
<b>EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS</b>						
<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>						
110	Economic Potential of Senior Australians — employment assistance(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
212	Fraud prevention and compliance — new compliance data sources(b)	-	-	-	-	-
118	Remote Jobs and Communities Program — establishment(b)	-	4.6	-	-	-
302	Whole-of-Government Parliamentary Workflow Solution	-	1.1	1.1	1.8	2.4
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>5.8</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>2.4</b>
<b>FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS</b>						
<i>Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs</i>						
212	Fraud prevention and compliance — new compliance data sources(b)	-	-	-	-	-
142	National Disability Insurance Scheme — First Stage(b)	-	25.4	95.1	64.1	32.0
152	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — remote engagement and coordination(b)	-	2.2	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Indigenous Business Australia</i>						
137	Consolidation of the Indigenous Home Ownership Programs(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>27.6</b>	<b>95.1</b>	<b>64.1</b>	<b>32.0</b>
<b>FINANCE AND DEREGULATION</b>						
<i>Department of Finance and Deregulation</i>						
301	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
302	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank In Western Sydney — Defence relocation	-	102.6	258.4	184.1	14.3
241	Nation Building Program — Northern Territory road projects(b)	-	-	-	-	-
79	Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System — maintaining core biosecurity operations(b)	-	-	-	-	-
295	— new Post-Entry Quarantine facility	-	22.1	95.4	59.8	7.0
302	Whole-of-Government Parliamentary Workflow Solution	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>124.7</b>	<b>353.8</b>	<b>243.9</b>	<b>21.3</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
<b>FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE</b>						
<i>AusAID</i>						
	Official development assistance					
163	– Asian Development Fund replenishment(b)	-	0.4	0.4	-	-
163	– An effective aid program for Australia(b)	-	-	-	-	-
164	– Australia's development partnerships with the United Nations(b)	-	-	-	-	-
164	– closing development gaps in East Asia(b)	-	-	-	-	-
166	– overcoming poverty and building stability in the Pacific(b)	-	-	-	0.4	-
90	– Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	-	-	-	-
167	– rejoining the United Nations International Fund for Agricultural Development(b)	-	-	1.0	-	-
168	– strengthening preparedness and response to humanitarian crises(b)	-	-	-	0.7	-
<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>						
160	Australia's civilian engagement in Afghanistan — an integrated whole-of-government approach — continuation(b)	-	1.7	1.6	-	-
161	Enhancing Australian Diplomacy(b)	-	5.0	14.9	4.3	-
162	National Security — Baghdad Embassy civilian security arrangements(b)	-	0.5	4.6	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>HEALTH AND AGEING</b>						
<i>Department of Health and Ageing</i>						
304	Latent Tuberculosis Infection Testing — revised purchasing arrangements	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
	Living Longer. Living Better					
182	– building a system for the future(b)	-	15.8	21.8	9.8	13.8
188	– staying at home(b)	-	0.4	-	-	-
304	National Medical Stockpile — replenishment	27.7	19.8	-	-	-
202	Private health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit — establishment(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Private Health Insurance Administration Council</i>						
202	Private health Insurance Premiums and Competition Unit — establishment(b)	-	..	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>27.7</b>	<b>35.5</b>	<b>21.3</b>	<b>9.3</b>	<b>13.3</b>
<b>HUMAN SERVICES</b>						
<i>Department of Human Services</i>						
134	Australian Working Life Residency — strengthening requirements(b)	-	-	..	-	-



**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
<b>HUMAN SERVICES (continued)</b>						
208	Digital Productivity — leveraging the National Broadband Network infrastructure to enhance service delivery through video conferencing(b)	-	-	-	-	-
139	Family Tax Benefit Part A — change to age of eligibility(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
184	Living Longer. Living Better — means testing(b)	-	22.9	7.9	-	-
193	Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program — additional funding(b)	..	-	-	-	-
194	National e-Health Program — continuation(b)	-	1.6	1.4	-	-
196	National Health Reform Agreement — establishment of the Administrator and the National Health Funding Body(b)	1.2	1.8	1.5	-	-
155	Tripling the tax free threshold — Family Tax Benefit and the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card(b)	0.8	1.6	0.8	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>28.0</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP</b>						
<i>Department of Immigration and Citizenship</i>						
216	Streamlining protection visa processes(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Migration Review Tribunal and Refugee Review Tribunal</i>						
216	Streamlining protection visa processes(b)	-	3.1	-	-	-
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION</b>						
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>						
305	Australian Apprenticeships Information Management System — establishment	-	2.8	5.7	0.6	-
229	Manufacturing Technology Innovation Centre — establishment(b)	-	..	..	-	-
280	Stronger Super — implementation of SuperStream reforms(b)	0.2	3.1	2.9	2.3	1.4
236	VET FEE-HELP Assistance Scheme — redesign(b)	-	1.6	0.6	-	-
<i>Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation</i>						
93	Digital Productivity — putting museums online for public access(b)	-	-	-	-	-
<i>National Vocational Education and Training Regulator (Australian Skills Quality Authority)</i>						
221	Australian Skills Quality Authority (National Vocational Education and Training Regulator) — additional funding(b)	-	1.0	2.2	2.7	3.1
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>8.5</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>4.5</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
<b>INFRASTRUCTURE AND TRANSPORT</b>						
<i>Australian Maritime Safety Authority</i>						
242	National Transport Regulatory reforms — implementation assistance(b)	-	2.4	7.5	-	-
<i>Department of Infrastructure and Transport</i>						
301	Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>7.5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>PARLIAMENT</b>						
<i>Department of Parliamentary Services</i>						
306	Parliament House Disability Access — upgrade	-	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.8
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>
<b>PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET</b>						
<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>						
246	Australia to host the Group of 20 in 2014(b)	-	9.6	1.0	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT</b>						
<i>Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport</i>						
307	Christmas Island Information and Communications Technology upgrade — redirection of funding	-8.5	-2.7	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-8.5</b>	<b>-2.7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES</b>						
<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>						
308	Bureau of Meteorology — cease relocation of the Wollongong radar	-	-1.3	-	-	-
<i>Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities</i>						
268	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act — implementation of reforms(b)	-	1.5	1.5	2.0	0.5
<i>National Water Commission</i>						
271	National Water Commission — continuation(b)	-	-	1.2	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.5</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page		2011-12 \$m	2012-13 \$m	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m
	<b>TREASURY</b>					
	<i>Australian Prudential Regulation Authority</i>					
276	Australian Prudential Regulation Authority — sustaining capacity(b)	-	3.2	3.7	-	-
	<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>					
277	Australian Securities and Investments Commission — enhanced market supervision(b)	-	2.2	7.7	6.0	0.4
278	Future of Financial Advice Reform(b)	-	1.0	-	-	-
309	Insolvency practitioners — modernisation and harmonisation of the regulatory framework	-	5.3	1.2	-	-
281	Stronger Super — self managed superannuation funds auditor registration(b)	-	5.0	-	-	-
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
17	Australian Business Register — towards a better business future(c)	-	4.6	0.6	-	-
89	Official development assistance — extension of AFP commitment to the UN Mission in Timor-Leste(b)	-	-	-	-	-
90	— Pacific Police Development Program — continuation(b)	-	-	-	-	-
35	Personal income tax — consolidate the dependency offsets into one(c)	-	0.5	-	-	-
35	— do not proceed with 50 per cent tax discount for interest income(c)	-	-	-4.3	-	-
36	— do not proceed with standard deduction(c)	-	-	-11.1	-	-
39	Spreading the Benefits of the Boom — company loss carry back(c)	-	2.8	1.9	-	-
280	Stronger Super — implementation of SuperStream reforms(b)	12.3	22.3	12.7	7.0	6.7
281	— self managed superannuation funds auditor registration(b)	1.5	-	-	-	-
41	Superannuation — reduction of higher tax concession for contributions of very high income earners(c)	-	1.8	1.8	-	-
	<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
246	Australia to host the Group of 20 in 2014(b)	-	1.3	-	-	-
79	Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System — maintaining core biosecurity operations(b)	-	-	-	-	-
152	Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory — remote engagement and coordination(b)	-	-	nfp	nfp	nfp
	<b>Portfolio total</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>50.1</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>12.9</b>	<b>7.2</b>

**Table 3: Capital measures since the 2011-12 MYEFO<sup>(a)</sup> (continued)**

Page	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
<b>VETERANS' AFFAIRS</b>						
<i>Australian War Memorial</i>						
282	Anzac Centenary Program 2014-18(b)	-	3.8	18.0	5.2	-
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>						
Living Longer. Living Better						
184	– means testing(b)	-	1.8	5.3	-	-
185	– older Australians from diverse backgrounds(b)	-	0.3	-	-	-
194	National e-Health Program — continuation(b)	-	2.1	-	-	-
144	Portability of Australian Government Payments(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
284	Review of Military Compensation Arrangements — Government response(b)	-	1.6	-	-	-
<b>Portfolio total</b>		-	<b>9.7</b>	<b>23.3</b>	<b>5.2</b>	-
<b>Decisions taken but not yet announced</b>		<b>0.1</b>	<b>13.1</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>106.9</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>Depreciation expense</b>		-	<b>-12.2</b>	<b>-54.2</b>	<b>-77.9</b>	<b>-81.1</b>
<b>Total capital measures(d)</b>		<b>45.8</b>	<b>-531.6</b>	<b>-930.1</b>	<b>-647.9</b>	<b>-1,531.5</b>

\* The nature of the measure is such that a reliable estimate cannot be provided.

.. Not zero, but rounded to zero.

- Nil.

nfp not for publication.

(a) A minus sign before an estimate indicates a reduction in capital, no sign before an estimate indicates increased capital.

(b) These measures can also be found in the expense measures summary table.

(c) These measures can also be found in the revenue measures summary table.

(d) Measures may not add due to rounding.

**AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY****Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System — new Post-Entry Quarantine facility**

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	22.1	95.4	59.8	7.0
Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total — Capital</b>	-	22.1	95.4	59.8	7.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry</i>	-	5.6	6.0	9.4	9.5
<i>Department of Finance and Deregulation</i>	-	-	-	-	5.8
<b>Total — Expense</b>	-	5.6	6.0	9.4	15.3

The Government will provide \$379.9 million over seven years (including \$87.3 million in 2016-17, \$54.3 million in 2017-18, and \$17.9 million in 2018-19) to construct a new Commonwealth operated Post-Entry Quarantine facility.

The facility will commence operations in 2015-16, replacing existing facilities as leases expire. The new facility will be fully operational on completion in 2018-19.

See also the related expense measure titled *Reforming Australia's Biosecurity System – maintaining core biosecurity operations* in the Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry portfolio.

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S

### Australian Customs and Border Protection Service — redirection of capital spending

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-4.8	-4.9	-4.9	-4.9

The Government will redirect savings of \$19.5 million over four years within the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service. These savings will be redirected towards other boarder protection initiatives.

## DEFENCE

### Bushmaster vehicles — acquisition of long-lead supplies

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$15.6 million in 2012-13 for the purchase of long-lead supplies for the acquisition of further Bushmaster vehicles. This purchase, together with further consideration by the Government of the purchase of additional Bushmaster vehicles, will ensure critical skills are retained at Thales Australia's Bendigo factory.

These skills will be required should the Government proceed with the acquisition of Thales Australia's Hawkei vehicle. In December 2011 the Government announced that the Hawkei had been selected as the preferred vehicle for development and testing under Stage 2 of the Manufactured and Supported in Australia option under the Project LAND 121 Phase 4. This project, at a cost of \$1.5 billion, will provide up to 1300 light vehicles for the Australian Defence Force. A final decision on the Hawkei is expected in 2015.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 19 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Defence and the Minister for Defence Materiel.

### C-17A Globemaster aircraft — acquisition

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$280.4 million over four years from 2011-12 for the acquisition of a sixth C-17A Globemaster aircraft and associated equipment. The aircraft is expected to be received and to be operational in 2013.

The acquisition of a C-17A from the current United States Air Force production line provides the opportunity, within a short time frame, to increase the airlift capability supporting Australian Forces in Afghanistan and the Middle East. It will also enhance Australia's capacity to deliver humanitarian assistance and disaster relief within Australia and the region.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 19 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Defence and the Minister for Defence Materiel.

### **CH-47D Chinook Fleet — acquisition of two additional helicopters**

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government provided \$39.8 million in 2011-12 for the acquisition of two CH-47D Chinook aircraft and associated equipment and their modification to meet Australian operational requirements. The aircrafts were purchased from the United States Government in 2011 and both aircrafts are expected to be operational in 2012 and ready to deploy overseas in 2013.

The aircraft will replace the CH-47D destroyed in Afghanistan in May 2011 and increase the Australian Defence Force Chinook capability from six to seven until 2016 when the entire fleet will be replaced by seven new CH-47F Chinook helicopters.

The cost of this measure was met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

Further information can be found in the press release of 12 December 2011 issued by the Minister for Defence and the Minister for Defence Materiel.

### **Defence — efficiencies and reprogramming**

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-869.1	-1,463.3	-1,023.7	-1,533.2
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Defence</i>	-	-96.6	-162.6	-113.7	-170.4

The Government will realise additional savings in the Defence portfolio relating to deferring some Defence acquisitions, adjusting the Defence capital equipment program and delivering further operating efficiencies, while delivering priority 2009 Defence White Paper capabilities. This measure will result in a saving of \$5.4 billion over the forward estimates.

A net reduction of the civilian workforce by 1,000 over the forward estimates will be effected primarily through natural attrition and tightening of recruitment practices.

There will be no adverse impact on operations in Afghanistan, East Timor and Solomon Islands. The provision of equipment to Defence personnel deployed or deploying overseas will not be adversely affected. There will be no adverse impact on the number of military personnel in the Australian Defence Force.



**Electronic Warfare System — long-lead item equipment purchase**

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$19.9 million in 2011-12 for the purchase of long-lead item equipment for the potential conversion of twelve of Australia's F-18 Super Hornets to the EA-18G Growler electronic warfare system.

The long-lead items include electronic systems, antennas and high frequency modulation receivers. A decision on whether Australia proceeds with the conversion of some of its Super Hornets to Growler configuration will be made later this calendar year after further assessment by the Government. The decision to purchase long-lead items at this stage ensures Australia will continue to have access to the Growler technology needed for this potential upgrade.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 29 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Defence and the Minister for Defence Materiel.

**Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability — acquisition of an Offshore Support Vessel**

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$123 million in 2011-12 for the acquisition of an amphibious ship, the *Skandi Bergen*. The *Skandi Bergen* is expected to be received and operational in 2012.

The *Skandi Bergen* will provide the Royal Australian Navy with an interim increased heavy amphibious lift capability for humanitarian assistance and disaster relief in our region, pending the arrival of two new Landing Helicopter Dock (LHD) ships in the middle of the decade. The *Skandi Bergen* complements HMA *Choules* and HMAS *Tobruk* as the third ship available to deliver this capability.

The *Skandi Bergen* will also provide the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (Customs) with a long term Southern Ocean surveillance and law enforcement capability. The *Skandi Bergen* will be utilised by Customs from mid-2014 when the lease on the current vessel ACV *Ocean Protector* expires. Use of the *Skandi Bergen* will be shared with Defence in 2014 and 2015. The vessel will be transferred to Customs following the arrival of the second LHD ship, currently scheduled for 2016.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resourcing of the Department of Defence.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 19 March 2012 issued by the Minister for Defence and the Minister for Defence Materiel.

See also the related expense measure titled *Maritime Humanitarian Assistance and Disaster Relief Capability – share arrangement for Southern Ocean surveillance* in the Attorney General's portfolio.

## FINANCE AND DEREGULATION

### Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Department of Infrastructure and Transport	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total — Capital</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance and Deregulation</i>	-	15.3	10.2	0.3	0.3
<i>Department of Infrastructure and Transport</i>	-	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4
<b>Total — Expense</b>	-	15.7	10.7	0.7	0.7

The Government will establish a Government Business Enterprise (GBE) under the *Corporations Act 2001*, to develop the Moorebank site as an Intermodal Terminal. The Government will optimise private sector funding in the construction and operation of the facility, including through the use of private terminal operators. The Government will consider privatisation of the GBE, subject to market conditions. The amount of the Commonwealth's equity injection is commercial-in-confidence given that negotiations are to be undertaken to determine potential private sector participation.

Over five years to 2016-17, funding of \$26.4 million will be provided to the Department of Finance and Deregulation to allow the Moorebank Project Office to progress the project and oversight the GBE, and funding of \$2.1 million will be provided to the Department of Infrastructure and Transport to assist in the oversight of the GBE.

See also the related measure titled *Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank in Western Sydney – Defence relocation*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 23 April 2012, issued by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation.

### Intermodal Terminal at Moorebank In Western Sydney — Defence relocation

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Finance and Deregulation	-	102.6	258.4	184.1	14.3
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total — Capital</b>	-	102.6	258.4	184.1	14.3
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	-118.3	-269.1	158.1	-

The Government will provide \$559.4 million over four years to the Department of Finance and Deregulation for the relocation of Department of Defence (Defence) facilities at the Moorebank site to a modern and purpose-built facility through the redevelopment of the Holsworthy Barracks. In addition, Defence will contribute \$332.0 million towards the redevelopment of Holsworthy Barracks from within existing resources.

The Moorebank site will subsequently be used for the construction of an Intermodal Terminal.

The costs of this measure and the related measure titled *Intermodal Terminal At Moorebank In Western Sydney* will be met by the redirection of funding of \$587.2 million from the Nation Building program, including amounts currently in the contingency reserve, and deferring funding of \$158.1 million for the Western Highway in Victoria from 2012-13 and 2013-14 into 2014-15.

### Whole-of-Government Parliamentary Workflow Solution

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	-	1.1	1.1	1.8	2.4
<b>Total — Capital</b>	-	1.1	1.1	1.8	2.4
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations</i>	0.2	1.2	1.0	0.4	-
<i>Department of Finance and Deregulation</i>	-	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.1
<i>Various Agencies</i>	-	-	-	-	-10.3
<b>Total — Expense</b>	0.2	1.5	1.3	0.7	-10.2

The Government will provide \$10.3 million over five years to establish a whole-of-government information management system for parliamentary workflow.

This measure is intended to better manage future investment by Commonwealth agencies by avoiding duplication and improving parliamentary workflow between agencies and ministerial offices.

The system will be developed and hosted by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations based on its current Parliamentary Document Management System. This funding will be fully recovered from participating agencies. Ongoing operational costs will be met by participating agencies under fee-for-service arrangements. The Department of Finance and Deregulation will manage the governance arrangements for the implementation of the new system.

## HEALTH AND AGEING

### Latent Tuberculosis Infection Testing — revised purchasing arrangements

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health and Ageing	-	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.6 million over four years by ceasing centralised purchasing arrangements for latent tuberculosis infection testing in Australia as these arrangements are no longer required. These tests can now be supplied directly to the Australian market.

Funding for latent tuberculosis infection testing was provided in the 2011-12 Budget measure titled *Latent tuberculosis testing – continuation*.

### National Medical Stockpile — replenishment

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Health and Ageing	27.7	19.8	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health and Ageing	-	1.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$49.3 million over two years to replenish the National Medical Stockpile, which includes restocking of influenza antivirals and pre-pandemic Influenza A (H5N1) vaccine.

The National Medical Stockpile is a strategic reserve of medicines and medical equipment for health emergencies or disasters.

## INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

### Australian Apprenticeships Information Management System — establishment

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	-	2.8	5.7	0.6	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education</i>	-	0.2	0.3	-	-

The Government will provide \$9.6 million over four years to set up a new information management system for the Australian Apprenticeships Program.

The Australian Apprenticeships Information Management System (AAIMS) will provide a streamlined electronic system for registering training contracts and processing payments. It will also improve workflow processes, deliver operational efficiencies and facilitate improved data sharing between the Commonwealth and state and territory governments.

The AAIMS will be developed over three years, replacing the existing Training and Youth Internet Management System.

The AAIMS will support the efficient delivery of the Government's existing \$4.8 billion investment over four years in apprenticeships.

## PARLIAMENT

### Parliament House Disability Access — upgrade

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Parliamentary Services	-	0.3	0.7	0.7	0.8

The Government will provide \$2.6 million over four years to undertake capital works to upgrade disability access in Parliament House.



## REGIONAL AUSTRALIA, LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ARTS AND SPORT

### Christmas Island Information and Communications Technology upgrade — redirection of funding

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	-8.5	-2.7	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$11.2 million over two years by not proceeding with an upgrade to information and communications technology infrastructure used by Australian Government agencies on Christmas Island. The upgrade was to be achieved using spare capacity on an Australian Defence Force satellite, but this option is no longer available. The services that were to be enabled by the upgrade will instead be provided by the National Broadband Network by 2015.

Savings from this measure will be redirected to support other Government priorities.

## SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENT, WATER, POPULATION AND COMMUNITIES

### Bureau of Meteorology — cease relocation of the Wollongong radar

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Bureau of Meteorology	-	-1.3	-	-	-

The Government will not proceed with funding for the planned relocation of the Bureau of Meteorology's Wollongong radar to the Jervis Bay area. The existing radar, which was upgraded in 2011, will maintain coverage for the Illawarra region at current service standards.

The measure will provide savings of \$1.3 million in 2012-13. Savings from this measure will be redirected to support the improvement of the Bureau of Meteorology's essential frontline regional severe weather and flood forecasting capabilities.

See also the related expense measure titled *Bureau of Meteorology – increased frontline capabilities*.

## TREASURY

### Insolvency practitioners — modernisation and harmonisation of the regulatory framework

Capital (\$m)	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	5.3	1.2	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	6.4	3.7	2.7	2.8
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	1.1	1.5	1.2	1.2

The Government will provide \$11.4 million over four years, (including expense funding of \$5.0 million) to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission to improve the corporate insolvency practitioner registration process, practice requirements, disciplinary mechanisms and to harmonise the personal and corporate insolvency regimes.

The cost of this measure will be offset by fees charged for the lodgement of corporate insolvency notices.

