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FOREWORD

Budget Paper No. 2, *Budget Measures 2014-15* 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 2013-14*.

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 2014-15, while the forward years refer to 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18; 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
\$b	billions 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nfp	not for publication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 2014-15* 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

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		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	AGRICULTURE					
	<i>Department of Agriculture</i>					
7	Biosecurity services for imports and live animal exports — ensuring full cost recovery	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
7	Changes to agricultural production levies	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
53	Support to Drought Affected Farmers(b)	0.5	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2
	Portfolio total	0.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5
	ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S					
	<i>Australian Financial Security Authority</i>					
228	Australian Financial Security Authority — departmental capital budget supplementation(c)	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.5
	<i>Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre</i>					
9	Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre — industry contribution	-	10.1	22.7	21.3	25.0
	Portfolio total	2.4	12.5	25.1	23.7	27.4
	COMMUNICATIONS					
	<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>					
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications(b)	-	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
	<i>Department of Communications</i>					
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency</i>					
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
	DEFENCE					
	<i>Department of Defence</i>					
74	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution(b)	-	3.3	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	3.3	-	-	-

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		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
EDUCATION						
<i>Department of Education</i>						
77	A sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme — repayment thresholds and indexation(b)	-	-14.3	261.0	322.4	462.1
79	A sustainable Higher Education system — Research Training Scheme — student contributions(b)	-	-	-	0.7	2.4
Expanding opportunity						
84	– expansion of the demand driven system and sharing the cost fairly(b)	-	-	1.8	13.1	41.6
85	– FEE-HELP and VET FEE-HELP loan fee — cessation(b)	-	-	-130.6	-278.0	-314.5
85	– Higher Education Indexation — revised arrangements(b)	-	-	-	-0.3	-0.9
86	Higher Education Superannuation Programme — resumption of payments to universities in NSW(b)	-	-	-	-	-
Portfolio total		-	-14.3	132.2	57.8	190.7
FINANCE						
<i>Department of Finance</i>						
114	Infrastructure Growth Package — Asset Recycling Fund(b)	*	*	*	*	*
115	Medical Research Future Fund — establishment(b)	-	-	-	-	-
117	Smaller Government — Medibank Private Limited — sale(b)	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Portfolio total		-	-	-	-	-
HEALTH						
<i>Department of Health</i>						
141	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new and amended listings(b)	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Portfolio total		-	-	-	-	-
HUMAN SERVICES						
<i>Department of Human Services</i>						
206	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients(b)	-	-	-	-	-

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		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	HUMAN SERVICES (continued)					
207	Remove Relocation Scholarship Assistance for Students Relocating Within and Between Major Cities(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-	-	-	-
	IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION					
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
10	Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement	-	-100.0	-165.0	-180.0	-190.0
16	Product Stewardship for Oil Scheme — modification to the levy	-	8.0	7.0	8.0	9.0
17	Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation	-	10.0	20.0	30.0	50.0
157	Smaller Government — strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services(b)	-	17.0	52.8	69.2	69.2
218	Taxation treatment of biodiesel — modification(b)	-	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
	<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>					
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15(b)	-2.9	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.7
160	Visa simplification to support the vocational education and training sector(b)	-	-	1.3	2.4	3.1
	Portfolio total	-2.9	-65.6	-84.9	-71.3	-59.7
	INDUSTRY					
	<i>Department of Industry</i>					
172	Trade Support Loans — establishment(b)	-	-	2.7	12.7	27.0
	Portfolio total	-	-	2.7	12.7	27.0
	INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT					
	<i>Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development</i>					
176	Infrastructure Growth Package — WestConnex Stage 2 — provision of a concessional loan(b)	-	-	-	5.3	26.4
11	Protection of the Sea Levy — reduction	-	-9.0	-9.0	-10.0	-11.0
	Portfolio total	-	-9.0	-9.0	-4.7	15.4

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	PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET					
	<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>					
187	Smaller Government — Council of Australian Governments Reform Council — cessation(b)	-	-2.6	-2.6	-2.5	-2.5
	Portfolio total	-	-2.6	-2.6	-2.5	-2.5
	SOCIAL SERVICES					
	<i>Department of Social Services</i>					
77	A sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme — repayment thresholds and indexation(b)	-	-	0.1	0.2	0.4
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15(b)	-	-	-	-	..
206	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients(b)	-	-	2.8	5.9	7.3
207	Remove Relocation Scholarship Assistance for Students Relocating Within and Between Major Cities(b)	-	-	..	..	..
209	Social Security Agreement with India(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-	2.9	6.1	7.7
	TREASURY					
	<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>					
12	Farm Management Deposits — exempting deposits from the unclaimed moneys scheme	-	*	*	*	*
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
73	Defence Forces Retirement Benefits and Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits superannuation payments — indexation(b)	-	*	*	*	*
165	Ethanol Production Grants Programme — cessation(b)	-	-	-122.1	-114.1	-106.1
197	Family Payment Reform — better targeting of Family Tax Benefit Part B(b)	-	-	-	8.0	8.0
12	Farm Management Deposits — exempting deposits from the unclaimed moneys scheme	-	-

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TREASURY (continued)						
216	First Home Saver Accounts scheme — cessation(b)	-	-	-	2.0	2.0
86	Higher Education Superannuation Programme — resumption of payments to universities in NSW(b)	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
13	Income tax — mining interest realignments	*	*	*	*	*
74	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution(b)	-	-8.0	-6.5	-	-
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15(b)	-2.4	-10.6	-20.4	-31.8	-42.2
75	Military Superannuation — establish new accumulation arrangements(b)	-	-	-	6.7	14.2
139	Pausing indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule fees and the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate thresholds(b)	-	-	-	7.0	14.0
Personal income tax						
13	– abolish the Dependent Spouse Tax Offset	-	-	130.0	100.0	90.0
14	– abolish the Mature Age Worker Tax Offset	-	-	290.0	255.0	215.0
14	– exempting Job Commitment Bonus from income tax	-	-	-	-	-
15	– increase the Medicare levy low-income thresholds for families	-	-9.0	-13.0	-13.0	-13.0
15	– Temporary Budget Repair Levy	-	600.0	1,150.0	1,200.0	150.0
16	Philanthropy — updating the list of specifically listed deductible gift recipients	-	-	-	-	-
16	Product Stewardship for Oil Scheme — modification to the levy	-	11.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
17	Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation	-	270.0	730.0	1,240.0	1,800.0
206	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients(b)	-	-	-	-	-
17	Repeal of the Minerals Resource Rent Tax — change to the schedule for increasing the Superannuation Guarantee rate to 12 per cent	-	-170.0	-180.0	-	440.0
18	Research and Development Tax Incentive — reducing the rates of the refundable and non-refundable tax offsets	-	-	90.0	130.0	120.0
18	Restoring integrity in the Australian tax system — further decisions	*	-20.0	-213.0	-188.0	48.0

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	TREASURY (continued)					
209	Social Security Agreement with India(b)	-	-	-0.6	-1.4	-2.8
19	Superannuation Excess Contributions Tax	-	-4.2	-9.8	-13.6	-12.5
53	Support to Drought Affected Farmers(b)	-	-	-	-	-
20	Tax laws — miscellaneous amendments	-	..	..	..	..
218	Taxation treatment of biodiesel — modification(b)	-	-	0.3	0.3	0.3
	<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
12	Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — assess future options	-	37.5	37.5	37.5	112.5
	Portfolio total	-2.4	696.7	1,874.4	2,636.6	2,849.4
	Decisions taken but not yet announced	3.5	85.6	77.4	90.2	97.1
	Total impact of revenue measures(d)	1.1	720.1	2,031.8	2,762.1	3,166.1

* 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 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

Biosecurity services for imports and live animal exports — ensuring full cost recovery

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will move to full cost recovery of its biosecurity services for imports and live animal exports. Fees for import clearance, seaports, post entry animal quarantine and live animal exports will be set to recover expected operating costs for 2014-15 in line with the provision of services on a user pays basis. For import clearance and seaports, revenue shortfalls in 2013-14 will also be recovered in 2014-15.

This policy will be implemented in accordance with the Australian Government's cost recovery policy. The additional revenue is not for publication due to ongoing consultation with the relevant industries.

The new fees will come into effect on 1 July 2014.

The Government will also redesign and simplify the biosecurity cost recovery framework to support a more efficient and effective biosecurity system, with implementation expected to occur from 1 July 2015.

Changes to agricultural production levies

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3

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:

- Hard onion levy and export charge: increase the overall rate of the levy and export charge on hard onions from \$2.00 to \$4.00 per tonne, commencing on 1 July 2014.
- Mushroom spawn levy: increase the overall rate of the levy on mushroom spawn from \$2.16 to \$4.32 per kilogram, commencing on 1 July 2014.
- Mango levy: increase the overall rate of the levy on mangoes from 1.750 cents to 1.893 cents per kilogram, commencing on 1 July 2014.

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All revenue raised by the levy or export charge is provided directly to fund industry research and development, marketing programmes, and/or industry biosecurity initiatives. 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 Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre — industry contribution**

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre	-	10.1	22.7	21.3	25.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will increase revenue by \$79.1 million over four years, through a phased increase in the Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre's (AUSTRAC) industry levy.

AUSTRAC currently recovers around 53 per cent of its total expenses from industry. Under this measure, industry contributions to AUSTRAC's total expenses will increase to 70 per cent in 2014-15, 90 per cent in 2015-16 and 2016-17, and 100 per cent in 2017-18.

The Government will also remove the current \$300 base component fee for AUSTRAC's 3,638 smallest regulated entities, which will no longer be subject to any charge. Under the new arrangements, only the largest (around 1,029) reporting entities will be required to contribute towards AUSTRAC's expenses.

The increased revenue from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION

Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-100.0	-165.0	-180.0	-190.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	0.3	0.3	0.3

On 8 April 2014 the governments of Australia and the Republic of Korea signed the Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement. Under the Agreement, both parties agreed to eliminate tariffs on a wide range of goods and provide additional access for investment and services. Parties are working toward bringing the Agreement into effect by the end of 2014. This measure is estimated to reduce revenue from tariffs by \$635.0 million, and increase expenses by \$0.9 million, over the forward estimates period.

Further information can be found in the press release of 8 April 2014 issued by the Minister for Trade and Investment.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Protection of the Sea Levy — reduction

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-9.0	-9.0	-10.0	-11.0

The Government will reduce the Protection of the Sea Levy (PSL) from 14.25 cents to 11.25 cents per net registered tonne for defined vessels on an ongoing basis from 1 July 2014. This is estimated to reduce revenue by \$39.0 million over four years from 2014-15.

The PSL was increased from 11.25 cents to 14.25 cents, with effect from 1 April 2010, to recover the pollution-related clean-up costs in excess of the amount paid by the Pacific Adventurer shipowner. It was retained at 14.25 cents in the 2013-14 Budget to allow the Australian Maritime Safety Authority to establish a \$10.0 million pollution response reserve and implement the upgrade and modernisation of the national stockpile of oil and chemical spill equipment. These activities are now complete.

See also the related expense measure titled *Protection of the Sea Levy – reduction – offsetting savings* in the Infrastructure and Regional Development portfolio.

TREASURY

Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — assess future options

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	37.5	37.5	37.5	112.5
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	1.2	-	-	-

The Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation (ARPC) will pay the Government a fee totalling \$450.0 million over four years for the \$10.0 billion guarantee provided by the Australian Government to the ARPC.

The fee will replace the current requirement for the ARPC to provide a dividend to Government, and is more aligned to the substance of the guarantee provided by the Government to the ARPC.

In addition the Government will provide \$1.2 million in 2014-15 to the Department of the Treasury to develop options on the future of the *Terrorism Insurance Act 2003*, including the future role of the ARPC.

The ARPC was established as a temporary measure to ensure that Australia's commercial property continued to have access to terrorism insurance in the wake of the 11 September 2001 terrorist attacks.

The fiscal balance impact of this proposal is \$225.0 million over four years. The underlying cash impact of this proposal is \$73.8 million over four years.

Farm Management Deposits — exempting deposits from the unclaimed moneys scheme

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	-	*	*	*	*
Total — Revenue	-	*	*	*	*
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>	-	-	*	*	*

The Government will amend the unclaimed moneys scheme in the *Banking Act 1959* to protect Farm Management Deposits from being transferred to the Commonwealth. This measure will have effect from the date of Royal Assent of the enabling legislation. This measure is estimated to have a small but unquantifiable cost to the Budget over the forward estimates period.

Further information can be found in the press release of 12 February 2014 issued by the Assistant Treasurer.

Income tax — mining interest realignments

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	*	*	*	*	*

The Government will clarify the treatment of realignments of interests between joint venture partners in the minerals and petroleum industry. The measure will apply from 7:30pm (AEST) 14 May 2013. This measure is estimated to have a small but unquantifiable cost to revenue over the forward estimates period.

The measure will only apply to changes of ownership within a common project (which includes combining neighbouring fields into one project and sharing expenditure in areas such as planning, research and construction of infrastructure).

This reform addresses uncertainty for realignments, which are potentially affected by the decision to limit the immediate deduction for mining rights first used for exploration. These realignments do not raise the integrity concerns to which the original measure was directed.

Personal income tax — abolish the Dependent Spouse Tax Offset

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	130.0	100.0	90.0

The Government will abolish the Dependent Spouse Tax Offset (DSTO) for all taxpayers from 1 July 2014.

The 2011-12 MYEFO measure *Personal income tax – Dependent Spouse Tax Offset – phase-out* limited access to the DSTO to those whose dependent spouse was born before 1 July 1952, effective from 1 July 2012. That measure had an estimated \$370.0 million gain to revenue over the then forward estimates period.

Taxpayers who are eligible to receive the Zone Tax Offset (ZTO), Overseas Civilians Tax Offset (OCTO) or Overseas Forces Tax Offset (OFTO) were exempt from the phase-out and can currently receive the DSTO regardless of the age of their dependent spouse.

Currently, taxpayers eligible for the ZTO, OCTO or OFTO can also claim eight other dependency offsets. For all other taxpayers, the 2012-13 Budget measure *Personal income tax – consolidate the dependency offsets into one* replaced these eight other dependency offsets with the Dependent (Invalid and Carer) Tax Offset (DICTO), effective from 1 July 2012. This measure will also replace these dependency offsets with the DICTO for ZTO, OCTO and OFTO taxpayers from 1 July 2014.

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Taxpayers with a dependant who is genuinely unable to work due to a carer obligation or a disability may be eligible for the DICTO.

This measure is estimated to have a gain to revenue of \$320.0 million over the forward estimates period.

Personal income tax — abolish the Mature Age Worker Tax Offset

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	290.0	255.0	215.0

The Government will abolish the Mature Age Worker Tax Offset (MAWTO) from 1 July 2014. This measure is estimated to have a gain to revenue of \$760.0 million over the forward estimates period.

The 2012-13 Budget measure *Personal income tax – mature age worker tax offset phase out* began the phase out of the MAWTO from the 2012-13 income year, limiting it to taxpayers born before 1 July 1957. That measure had an estimated \$255.0 million gain to revenue over the then forward estimates period.

Encouraging mature age workers to participate in the workforce can be done more effectively through direct payments or incentives. Savings will be redirected to the Government's expanded seniors employment incentive payment called Restart to support mature age job seekers to re-enter the workforce. From 1 July 2014, a payment of up to \$10,000 will be available to employers who hire a mature aged job seeker, aged 50 years or over who has been receiving income support for at least six months.

See also the expense measure *Restart – boosting the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers*.

Personal income tax — exempting Job Commitment Bonus from income tax

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will make the Job Commitment Bonus payments exempt from income tax, as was the original intent of the Government's election commitment. This measure will have no revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

The Job Commitment Bonus was announced in the 2013-14 MYEFO measure titled *Job Commitment Bonus – establishment*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 27 February 2014 issued by the Assistant Minister for Employment.

Personal income tax — increase the Medicare levy low-income thresholds for families

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-9.0	-13.0	-13.0	-13.0

The Government will increase the Medicare levy low-income threshold for families from the 2013-14 income year. The threshold for couples with no children will be increased to \$34,367, and the additional amount of threshold for each dependent child or student will be increased to \$3,156 for the 2013-14 income year. This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$48.0 million over the forward estimates period.

The increase in these thresholds takes into account movements in the consumer price index (CPI) and ensures that low-income families who were not liable to pay the Medicare levy in 2012-13 will continue to be exempt unless their incomes have increased by more than the CPI.

The Medicare levy low-income thresholds for individuals and pensioners have already been increased by more than the growth in the CPI and therefore do not need to be further increased at this time.

Personal income tax — Temporary Budget Repair Levy

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	600.0	1,150.0	1,200.0	150.0

The Government will introduce a three year temporary levy (the Temporary Budget Repair Levy) on high income individuals from 1 July 2014 until 30 June 2017. The Temporary Budget Repair Levy will apply at a rate of two per cent on individuals' taxable income in excess of \$180,000 per annum.

A number of other tax rates that are currently based on calculations that include the top personal tax rate will also be increased. With the exception of the fringe benefits tax (FBT) rate, these tax rates will be increased for the same period that the Temporary Budget Repair Levy is in place. These consequential amendments are important to maintain integrity and fairness in the tax system.

To prevent high income earners from utilising fringe benefits to avoid the levy, the FBT rate will be increased from 47 per cent to 49 per cent from 1 April 2015 until 31 March 2017 to align with the FBT income year. The cash value of benefits received by employees of public benevolent institutions and health promotion charities, public and not-for-profit hospitals, public ambulance services and certain other tax-exempt entities will be protected by increasing the annual FBT caps. In addition, the fringe benefits rebate rate will be aligned with the FBT rate from 1 April 2015.

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This measure is expected to increase revenue by \$3.1 billion over the forward estimates period.

Philanthropy — updating the list of specifically listed deductible gift recipients

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-

Since the 2013-14 MYEFO, the following organisations have been approved as deductible gift recipients (DGRs):

- Minderoo Foundation Trust, from 1 January 2014; and
- East African Fund (School of St Jude), from 1 July 2014.

Taxpayers may claim an income tax deduction for certain gifts of money or property to DGRs. This measure is estimated to have no revenue impact over the forward estimates period.

Product Stewardship for Oil scheme — modification to the levy

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	11.0	12.0	12.0	12.0
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	8.0	7.0	8.0	9.0
Total — Revenue	-	19.0	19.0	20.0	21.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0

The Government will restore the Product Stewardship for Oil scheme to being budget neutral over the forward estimates period by increasing the rate of the levy to 8.5 cents per litre of oil or kilogram of grease from 1 July 2014. The rate of the benefit for Category 8 oils (Category 8 benefits provide a mechanism to refund levies paid on oils that are being put to particular uses (i.e. exempted uses)) will also be increased to ensure it continues to match the rate of the levy.

This measure is estimated to have a gain to the Budget of \$70.0 million over the forward estimates period.

Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	270.0	730.0	1,240.0	1,800.0
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	10.0	20.0	30.0	50.0
Total — Revenue	-	280.0	750.0	1,270.0	1,850.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	100.7	350.0	550.0	800.0
Department of the Treasury	-	10.0	20.0	40.0	60.0
Department of Industry	-	1.8	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	112.5	370.0	590.0	860.0

The Government will secure funding for additional productivity-enhancing road infrastructure projects by re-introducing biannual indexation by the consumer price index of excise and excise-equivalent customs duty for all fuels except aviation fuels. This will generate \$2.2 billion over the forward estimates period for building new and upgrading existing road infrastructure. This includes allowance for a \$1.8 million increase in Ethanol Production Grants in 2014-15, administered by the Department of Industry, and a \$0.7 million increase in the Cleaner Fuel Grants Scheme.

The Government will amend the *Excise Act 1901* to ensure that the amount spent on road infrastructure funding is greater than the net revenue from the reintroduction of indexation on fuel excise and excise-equivalent customs duty.

Consistent with the Government's goal to start construction on key projects as soon as practicable, biannual indexation will commence from 1 August 2014.

Repeal of the Minerals Resource Rent Tax — change to the schedule for increasing the superannuation guarantee rate to 12 per cent

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-170.0	-180.0	-	440.0

The Government will change the schedule for increasing the superannuation guarantee rate to 12 per cent. The superannuation guarantee rate will increase from 9.25 per cent to 9.5 per cent from 1 July 2014 as currently legislated to give certainty to employers and employees given the Minerals Resource Rent Tax Repeal and Other Measures Bill 2013 has not passed the Senate. The rate will remain at 9.5 per cent until 30 June 2018 and then increase by 0.5 percentage points each year until it reaches 12 per cent.

This measure is estimated to provide a net gain to revenue of \$90.0 million over the forward estimates period.

It is the Government's policy to proceed with the repeal of the minerals resource rent tax and other associated measures as announced.

Research and Development Tax Incentive — reducing the rates of the refundable and non-refundable tax offsets

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	90.0	130.0	120.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-70.0	-70.0	-70.0	-70.0

Consistent with the Government's commitment to cut the company tax rate from 1 July 2015, the Government will preserve the relative value of the Research and Development Tax Incentive by reducing the rates of the refundable and non-refundable offsets by 1.5 percentage points, effective from 1 July 2014.

The gain to revenue and savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

This measure is estimated to provide a gain to the Budget of \$620.0 million in fiscal balance terms over the forward estimates period. In underlying cash terms, the gain to the Budget is \$550.0 million over the forward estimates period.

Restoring integrity in the Australian tax system — further decisions

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	*	-20.0	-213.0	-188.0	48.0
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-1.3	-7.9	-10.9	-5.2	10.4

The Government has made further decisions in relation to the backlog of taxation and superannuation measures that were announced by former governments but not yet legislated. These decisions are estimated to have a cost to the Budget of \$358.1 million over the forward estimates period.

Additional consultation with stakeholders and the Australian Taxation Office has demonstrated that it is not possible to implement a number of these measures as initially announced, and that other measures need to be extended to achieve their policy intent. Accordingly, the Government has decided to:

- not proceed with changes that would have applied to multiple entry consolidated groups; \$140.0 million of revenue associated with this measure over the forward estimates period cannot be delivered;

- modify integrity measures in relation to the foreign resident CGT regime, estimated to have no revenue impact over the forward estimates period;
- modify integrity measures in relation to the consolidation regime, estimated to have an unquantifiable revenue impact over the forward estimates period;
- defer the start date of the new tax system for managed investment trusts by 12 months to 1 July 2015, estimated to have a gain to revenue of \$75.0 million over the forward estimates period;
- defer the start date of reforms to the offshore banking unit regime to income years commencing on or after 1 July 2015, estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$180.0 million over the forward estimates period; and
- defer the start date of the legislative elements of the measure to improve tax compliance through third party reporting and data matching to 1 July 2016, estimated to have a cost to the Budget of \$113.1 million over the forward estimates period.

Further information can be found in the press release of 13 May 2014 issued by the Acting Assistant Treasurer.

Superannuation Excess Contributions Tax

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-4.2	-9.8	-13.6	-12.5

The Government will allow individuals the option of withdrawing superannuation contributions in excess of the non-concessional contributions cap made from 1 July 2013 and any associated earnings, with these earnings to be taxed at the individual's marginal tax rate. Final details of the policy will be settled following consultation with key stakeholders in the superannuation industry.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment to develop an appropriate process that addresses all inadvertent breaches of the contribution caps where the error would result in a disproportionate penalty.

This measure is estimated to have a cost to revenue of \$40.1 million over the forward estimates period.

Tax laws — miscellaneous amendments

Revenue (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-

The Government will make a series of minor amendments to the tax laws and superannuation laws to correct technical defects, remove anomalies and address unintended outcomes which have recently been identified. This measure is estimated to have a negligible impact on revenue over the forward estimates period.

The amendments include technical corrections to the uniform penalty rules that prevent certain penalties that are levied under the law from being collected and a number of amendments to address issues, raised by industry, in relation to the consolidation regime.

These changes are part of the Government's commitment to the care and maintenance of the taxation and superannuation systems, and the Government's broader deregulation agenda.

PART 2: EXPENSE MEASURES

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a)

Page	2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
AGRICULTURE					
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>					
A Competitive Agriculture Sector					
48	-	20.0	30.0	30.0	20.0
48	-	0.7	2.1	2.9	2.3
49	-	5.6	4.7	4.7	4.8
49	-	4.1	2.5	4.5	3.9
50	-	-	-	-	-
50	-	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
51	-	-	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1
7	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
191	-	..	..	..	..
7	-	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3
51	-	-	-	-	-
51	-	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3
51	-	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	-
52	-	-2.3	-	-	-
204	-	-	-	-	-
107	-	-9.8	-5.0	-8.8	-37.1
52	-	-1.7	-1.7	-1.8	-1.8
52	-	-2.0	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0
53	4.7	13.7	1.7	0.9	-1.4
Portfolio total	4.7	30.7	31.5	29.6	-12.0

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S					
	<i>Administrative Appeals Tribunal</i>					
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements	-	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5
	<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>					
124	2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games — operational support	-	-	-	-	-
55	Adelaide Festival Centre — support for Asian cultural activities — cessation	-	-	-	-	-
55	Arts programmes — reduced funding	-	-4.4	-5.0	-9.8	-14.6
55	Australian Ballet School student residence	-	1.0	-	-	-
56	Australian Emergency Management Institute — establish as a Virtual Institute	-	2.4	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1
57	Australian Interactive Games Fund — cessation	-	-10.0	-	-	-
57	Confiscated Assets Account — additional expenditure	-	21.5	21.5	9.0	9.0
58	Creative Partnerships Australia — operational funding — continuation	-	-0.3	1.8	1.9	1.9
58	Disaster Relief — New South Wales and Victorian fires	-	-	-	-	-
58	Get Reading! Programme — cessation	-	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6
59	Human Rights Education — cessation	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.8
59	Indigenous Languages Support Programme — reduced funding	-	-2.3	-2.3	-2.4	-2.5
60	Legal Aid — withdrawal of additional funding	-	-15.0	-	-	-
60	Matthew Flinders' Chart	-	..	0.2	-	-
61	National Bushfire Mitigation Programme	-	-	-	-	-
61	National Partnership Agreement on Legal Assistance Services — extension	-	-	-	-	-
121	Official Development Assistance — reprioritised funding	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1
62	Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption — establishment	18.4	29.6	-	-	-
62	Safer Streets Programme — establishment	0.3	18.5	14.7	14.9	0.2
63	Schools Security Programme	-	6.0	6.0	6.0	-
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements	-	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.9
	<i>Australia Council</i>					
55	Arts programmes — reduced funding	-	-9.6	-6.1	-6.2	-6.3
	<i>Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity</i>					
157	Smaller Government — strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services	-	1.0	-	-	-

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S (continued)					
	<i>Australian Federal Police</i>					
56	Australian Federal Police — savings from efficiencies	-	-0.9	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7
56	Australian Federal Police officers — cessation of additional recruitment	-	-5.1	-11.6	-11.6	-11.7
59	Hobart Airport	-	-0.8	-4.8	-4.8	-4.8
60	National Anti-Gang Squad	-	3.6	3.1	3.2	-
121	Official Development Assistance — reprioritised funding	-10.0	-1.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
188	Support for the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce — continuation	-	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.8
65	Timor-Leste Police Development Programme — continuation	-	7.9	8.0	7.0	6.0
	<i>Australian Human Rights Commission</i>					
57	Australian Human Rights Commission — reduction in appointments	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements	-	2.7	5.5	5.4	5.5
	<i>Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre</i>					
9	Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre — industry contribution(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
	<i>Screen Australia</i>					
55	Arts programmes — reduced funding	-	-5.2	-5.3	-7.3	-7.3
	Portfolio total	8.2	38.6	19.7	-0.6	-31.0
	COMMUNICATIONS					
	<i>Australian Broadcasting Corporation</i>					
66	Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — efficiency savings	-	-8.8	-9.0	-8.8	-8.9
	<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>					
66	Australian Communications and Media Authority — efficiency saving	-	-0.9	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Communications</i>					
67	Enhancing Online Safety for Children	-	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.2
67	Mobile Black Spot Programme	-	10.0	30.0	30.0	30.0
68	Office of Spatial Policy — transfer of functions	-	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications	-	-	351.6	331.6	331.6

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	COMMUNICATIONS (continued)					
	<i>Special Broadcasting Service Corporation</i>					
66	Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — efficiency savings	-	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0
	<i>Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency</i>					
68	Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications	-	-1.0	-352.6	-332.6	-332.6
	Portfolio total	-	..	21.6	21.8	20.7
	CROSS PORTFOLIO					
	<i>Various Agencies</i>					
69	Administered Programme Indexation Pause	-	-15.1	-34.1	-54.9	-60.9
69	Efficiency Dividend — a further temporary increase of 0.25 per cent	-	-60.5	-118.2	-181.1	-184.7
70	Parliamentarians and other public office holder salaries — freeze	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0
	<i>Smaller Government</i>					
70	— additional reductions in the number of Australian Government bodies	-	-0.4	-0.5	-6.4	-12.1
63	— collection agencies — consolidation of back office functions	-	1.0	-0.2	-1.6	-1.6
109	— National Water Commission — cessation	-	0.7	1.3	2.3	2.3
	Portfolio total	-	-79.3	-156.7	-246.7	-262.0
	DEFENCE					
	<i>Defence Materiel Organisation</i>					
76	Savings and efficiencies	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Defence</i>					
72	Australian Defence Force Gap Year Programme — re-establishment	-	18.3	37.5	57.5	78.5
72	Australian Defence Force Support to the G20 Summit	-	-	-	-	-
73	Defence Forces Retirement Benefits and Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits superannuation payments — indexation	-	318.1	332.2	344.1	356.7
178	Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 — search	25.0	3.0	-	-	-
74	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution	-	131.3	-33.7	18.5	-
75	Military Superannuation — establish new accumulation arrangements	-	-	-	-98.3	-165.3
75	Operation Resolute — extension	-	59.7	0.6	-	-
76	Savings and efficiencies	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	25.0	530.4	336.6	321.7	269.9

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	EDUCATION					
	<i>Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies</i>					
88	Investing in research excellence — digitisation of Indigenous cultural resources	-	3.3	-	-	-
	<i>Australian Research Council</i>					
78	A sustainable Higher Education system — Australian Research Council — efficiency dividend	-	-	-26.0	-24.1	-24.9
126	Boosting Dementia Research	-	8.0	9.0	9.0	-
85	Expanding opportunity — Higher Education Indexation — revised arrangements	-	-	1.1	-1.3	-4.6
	Investing in research excellence					
87	– Antarctic Gateway Partnership	-	-	-	-	-
87	– Australian Institute of Tropical Health and Medicine	15.0	21.0	3.0	3.0	-
88	– mid-career Future Fellowships scheme — continuation	-	1.6	23.0	45.5	69.5
	<i>Department of Education</i>					
	A sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme					
77	– HECS-HELP benefit — cessation	-	-	-28.4	-29.0	-29.7
77	– repayment thresholds and indexation	-	-348.5	-459.0	-583.4	-730.5
	A sustainable Higher Education system					
78	– cessation of funding for the HC Coombs Policy Forum	-	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6
78	– Higher Education Reward Funding — cessation	-8.5	-26.2	-26.9	-28.5	-31.1
79	– Research Training Scheme — student contributions	-	-	-33.4	-67.7	-69.6
79	Australian Baccalaureate — discontinue development	-	-0.3	-3.0	-3.1	-3.1
79	Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority — reduced funding	-	-	-	-	-2.6
80	Australian Government Quality Teacher Programme — continuation	4.6	0.3	-	-	-
80	Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership — reduced funding	-2.7	-5.6	-6.1	-3.5	-2.1
81	Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth — contribution	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
81	Centre for Quality Teaching and Learning — cessation	-5.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0
81	Child Care: Community Support Programme — additional funding and amended eligibility criteria	76.6	91.9	-51.6	-52.8	-52.7
82	Child Care: Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance — reforms	27.9	7.4	-22.4	-0.4	19.0
83	Child Care: Support for the Child Care System Programme — offsetting savings	-0.9	-5.7	-4.9	-14.1	-13.8

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	EDUCATION (continued)					
83	Education grant programmes — reduced funding	-8.7	-13.2	-12.0	-11.0	-15.0
	Expanding opportunity					
84	– a more effective Higher Education Participation Programme	-	-7.5	-12.5	-13.8	-17.5
84	– expansion of the demand driven system and sharing the cost fairly	-	-	-162.3	-398.7	-509.7
85	– FEE-HELP and VET FEE-HELP loan fee — cessation	-	-	4.1	8.6	9.7
85	– Higher Education Indexation — revised arrangements	-	-	-25.3	-68.1	-104.4
86	Higher Education Superannuation Programme — resumption of payments to universities in NSW	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
86	Improving educational outcomes — reversal	-5.7	-9.8	-7.1	-7.2	-
88	Investing in research excellence — National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy — continuation	-	-	150.0	-	-
204	Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years	-	-32.9	-49.2	-71.4	-76.9
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-1.9	-6.8	-13.0	-20.0	-28.0
89	National School Chaplaincy Programme — continuation	-	59.7	61.5	61.4	61.2
89	Online Diagnostic Tools — cessation	-0.7	-8.8	-9.5	-9.7	-9.7
89	Primary Connections and Science by Doing — maintain funding	-	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0
90	Remote Indigenous students attending non-government boarding schools — additional funding	-	6.8	-	-	-
	Students First					
90	– Early Language Learning Australia — trial	-	7.0	2.8	-	-
90	– Improving the take-up of foreign languages	-	1.2	0.6	-	-
91	– indexation of school funding from 2018	-	-	-	-	54.1
91	Teach for Australia — reduced funding	-	-	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2
91	Upholding Quality — Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching — establishment	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
92	Youth 20 Summit — hosting	0.7	0.2	-	-	-
	<i>Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency</i>					
91	Upholding Quality — Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency — revised funding arrangements	-	-3.4	-7.6	-10.0	-10.1
	Portfolio total	90.8	-263.9	-708.9	-1,292.8	-1,526.2

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	EMPLOYMENT					
	<i>Department of Employment</i>					
93	Award Modernisation Process — industry grants — cessation	-	-	-	-	-
93	Building Australia's Future Workforce Evaluation — cessation	-1.0	-1.0	-	-	-
93	Career Advice for Parents — cessation	-	-1.4	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5
94	Connection Interviews and Job Seeker Workshops — cessation	-	-	-	-	-
	Disability Support Pension					
195	— compulsory participation requirements for recipients aged under 35 years	-	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7
196	— review recipients aged under 35 years	-	1.1	1.9	2.4	2.7
94	Ethical Clothing Australia — cessation	-	-1.0	-	-	-
94	Experience+ Career Advice — cessation	-	-1.9	-2.0	-	-
95	Fair Entitlements Guarantee — aligning redundancy payments to national employment standards	-	-10.0	-22.4	-25.8	-29.5
95	Ford Australia — assistance to workers — cessation	-	-1.4	-1.4	-1.4	-
166	Growth Fund — establishment	-	-	-	3.0	12.0
167	Industry Skills Fund — establishment	-	2.9	4.4	2.8	1.5
96	Job Services Australia — restricting participation for Volunteer Job Seekers	-	-5.4	-11.9	-16.4	-18.8
96	Local Employment Coordinator Flexible Funding Pool — reduction	-0.8	-	-	-	-
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-	-	-0.2	-0.6	-0.9
96	Move 2 Work — cessation	-	-1.1	-	-	-
97	Restart — boosting the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers	-	16.7	79.3	98.1	108.8
98	Stronger compliance arrangements for job seekers who refuse or persistently fail to meet requirements	..	0.1	-	-	-
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30	-	19.4	152.2	184.4	215.0
158	Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals	-	4.5	6.1	8.5	10.2
98	Work for the Dole Programme — phased approach	0.5	14.3	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-1.3	36.3	205.3	254.4	300.2
	ENVIRONMENT					
	<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>					
	Bureau of Meteorology					
100	— improved efficiency	-	-0.6	-4.0	-3.0	-2.6
232	— supercomputer(c)	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	<i>Clean Energy Regulator</i>					
102	Emissions Reduction Fund — establishment	-	75.5	299.8	354.5	416.9
106	National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Scheme — improved efficiency	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	ENVIRONMENT (continued)					
	<i>Department of the Environment</i>					
99	1,500 Gigalitre Cap on Water Buybacks — establishment	-	-	-	-	-
99	20 Million Trees — commencement	-	-	-	-	-
99	Antarctica — maintaining Australia's presence	-	9.4	-	-	-
100	Asia-Pacific Rainforest Summit	-	0.8	-	-	-
101	Coastal River Recovery Initiatives — establishment	-	-	-	-	-
102	Community Heritage and Icons Programme — establishment	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
102	Dandenong Ranges Wildlife Recovery, Weed Management and Fuel Reduction Programme — establishment	-	-	-	-	-
103	Grants to Voluntary Environment, Sustainability and Heritage Organisations — cessation	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3
104	Greater Western Sydney — Cumberland Conservation Corridor — establishment	-	-	-	-	-
105	Harnessing the potential of algal synthesis and biofuels — redirection	-	-5.0	-	-	-
105	Keep Australia Beautiful and Clean Up Australia — contribution	-	-	-	-	-
105	Kimberley Cane Toad Clean Up — contribution	-	-	-	-	-
106	National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility — support	-	2.9	3.3	2.8	-
106	National Environmental Science Programme — establishment	-	-4.6	-4.6	-6.3	-6.3
107	National Landcare Programme — establishment	-12.8	-32.3	-109.9	-125.1	-143.0
107	National Wildlife Corridors Plan — reduced funding	-0.2	-	-	-	-
107	Office of Water Science research programme — cessation	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0
108	Orangutan Reintroduction Project — contribution	-	0.2	0.1	-	-
108	Port Arthur Penitentiary restoration — contribution	-	-	-	-	-
108	Reef 2050 Plan — establishment	-	11.1	10.3	9.1	9.4
110	Solar Towns — establishment	-	0.5	1.4	0.3	-
110	Southern Ocean flights — monitoring of whaling and protest fleets	-	-	-	-	-
110	Sustainable Regional Development — reduced funding	-	-0.5	-	-	-
111	Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Programme — reduced funding	-4.9	-10.9	-72.2	-30.0	-89.5

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	ENVIRONMENT (continued)					
111	Tasmanian Forests Agreement Implementation Package — reduced funding	-1.0	-2.0	-1.0	-	-
112	Water Resources Assessment and Research Grant Programme — reduced funding	-	-	-	-	-0.2
112	Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan — establishment	-	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-
	<i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority</i>					
104	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority — reduced funding	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
	<i>National Water Commission</i>					
109	Smaller Government — National Water Commission — cessation	-	-3.3	-8.1	-8.1	-8.2
	Portfolio total	-20.9	36.9	111.1	190.0	172.2
	FINANCE					
	<i>Australian Electoral Commission</i>					
113	Australian Electoral Commission — funding to conduct the Western Australian Senate Election	23.2	-	-	-	-
	<i>ComSuper</i>					
75	Military Superannuation — establish new accumulation arrangements	-	-	1.5	0.8	-1.5
	<i>Department of Finance</i>					
232	Bureau of Meteorology — supercomputer(c)	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
113	Communications and Public Affairs Functions — targeted savings	-	-5.3	-10.5	-10.5	-10.6
201	Grants Management Platform Business Case	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
113	Improving small business access to Commonwealth contracts	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
114	Infrastructure Growth Package — Asset Recycling Fund	*	*	*	*	*
115	Medical Research Future Fund — establishment	-	-	-	-	-
116	Parliamentary service travel entitlements — reduced funding	-0.1	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-1.3
116	Recruitment of Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984 employees	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
	<i>Smaller Government</i>					
116	– Contestability Framework	-	-	-	-	-
117	– Medibank Private Limited — sale	15.4	75.5	-	-	-
117	– scoping studies for four operations of government	-	11.7	-	-	-
157	– strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
233	– Surplus Commonwealth Properties — divestment(c)	-	2.2	0.1	0.1	-
	Portfolio total	38.5	83.2	-9.8	-10.5	-13.0

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE					
	<i>Australian Trade Commission</i>					
	International Tourism					
119	– Australia Week in China	-	0.2	1.8	-	-
119	– China Approved Destination Status Scheme	-	-	-	-	-
120	– Demand Driver Infrastructure	-	-11.0	-10.7	-10.7	-10.7
	<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>					
118	Australia Network — Termination of the ABC Contract	-	-10.6	-21.6	-22.1	-22.5
118	Australia's diplomatic engagement in Afghanistan — continuation	-	49.4	-	-	-
118	Baghdad Embassy — relocation	-	27.4	-	-	-
119	International Engagement to Prevent and Disrupt Maritime People Smuggling	-	3.2	3.2	-	-
	Official Development Assistance					
120	– Global Green Growth Institute	-	-	-	-	-
121	– reprioritised funding	-601.0	-599.1	-1,221.2	-1,687.9	-3,519.6
121	– seventeenth replenishment of the World Bank's International Development Association	-	-	-	-	-
122	Smaller Government — Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade — realising efficiencies	-	-109.7	-101.7	-94.9	-90.8
65	Timor-Leste Police Development Programme — continuation	-	-8.0	-8.0	-7.0	-6.0
122	Transferring T-Qual Accreditation to industry	-	0.6	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-601.0	-657.6	-1,358.2	-1,822.6	-3,649.7
	HEALTH					
	<i>Australian National Preventive Health Agency</i>					
138	National Tobacco Campaign — a new and lower cost media campaign	-4.4	-	-	-	-
145	Smaller Government — Australian National Preventive Health Agency — abolish	-	-23.8	-23.3	-23.6	-23.9
	<i>Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority</i>					
127	Countering Threats from Doping in Sport	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Australian Sports Commission</i>					
125	Australian Sports Commission — redirection	-	-0.1	-9.7	-9.7	-9.7
146	Sporting Schools Initiative	-	20.0	39.6	39.2	-
	<i>Department of Health</i>					
124	2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games — operational support	-	-	-	-	-
124	Aligning Australia and New Zealand Therapeutic Arrangements	-	nfp	-	-	-
125	Australian Government Commonwealth Games Funding Commitment	-	-	-	-	-
125	Australian Sports Commission — redirection	-	3.6	0.9	0.9	0.9

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	HEALTH (continued)					
126	Charles Sturt University — dental and oral health clinic developments in New South Wales — reversal	-4.6	-7.1	-3.6	-	-
126	Commonwealth Public Hospitals — change to funding arrangements	-	-	-	-	-
	Commonwealth Seniors Health Card					
192	– annual indexation of income thresholds	-	1.9	4.1	6.8	9.4
193	– include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment	-	-0.4	-2.0	-4.4	-7.0
127	Dental Flexible Grants Programme — cessation	-	-50.3	-55.1	-61.2	-62.4
127	Diagnostic Imaging Quality Programme — cessation	-1.0	-3.0	-3.4	-3.5	-3.5
128	Discretionary Grant Programmes — cessation of certain programmes	-3.7	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
128	Doubling the Practice Incentives Programme Teaching Payment	-	19.9	59.3	75.1	82.6
129	Ensuring the Supply of Antivenoms, Q fever vaccine and Pandemic Influenza vaccines	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
129	Establishment of Primary Health Networks	-	-	-	-	-
	Family Payment Reform					
198	– limit the Large Family Supplement to families with four or more children	-	-	-0.2	-1.0	-2.8
199	– maintain Family Tax Benefit payment rates for two years	-	-0.3	-1.2	-4.5	-4.7
200	– remove the Family Tax Benefit Part A per child add-on	-	-	-0.5	-1.5	-3.2
200	– revise Family Tax Benefit end-of-year supplements	-	-	-0.8	-2.8	-7.5
129	Full implementation of National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme	-	3.8	7.4	29.0	43.9
130	General Practice Rural Incentives Programme — additional funding	-	35.0	-	-	-
130	Good Sports Programme — continuation	-	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9
130	headspace Programme — additional funding	-	4.5	1.4	1.9	7.2
131	Health Flexible Funds — pausing indexation and achieving efficiencies	-	-	-46.4	-69.7	-81.0
131	Improving local access to health care on Phillip Island	-	-	-	-	-
185	Indigenous Affairs Programmes — rationalisation	-40.7	-67.3	-46.0	-11.8	44.0
131	Indigenous teenage sexual and reproductive health and young parent support — continuation	-	0.4	-	-	-
132	Investing in the nursing and allied health workforce	-	3.4	4.9	5.0	-
204	Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years	-	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.6
132	Market testing of the payment of health services by commercial payment service providers	-	0.5	-	-	-

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	HEALTH (continued)					
132	Medical Research Future Fund — investments	-	-	19.9	77.0	179.3
	Medicare Benefits Schedule					
133	– comprehensive eye examinations	-	-8.5	-12.6	9.5	-2.2
133	– introducing patient contributions for general practitioner, pathology and diagnostic imaging services	-	1.4	-1,164.4	-1,181.6	-1,226.8
134	– new and amended listings	-	1.1	-0.7	-0.3	1.1
135	– reduced optometry rebates and removal of charging cap	-	-10.9	-24.8	-26.3	-27.8
135	– revised capital sensitivity provisions for diagnostic imaging equipment	-	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
136	Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme — continuation	-	22.4	-	-	-
136	Mersey Community Hospital — additional funding	-	13.6	-	-	-
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-2.1	-7.8	-14.1	-21.0	-27.9
136	National Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health — establishment	-	4.2	4.3	4.6	5.0
137	National Partnership Agreement for adult public dental services — deferral	-	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
137	National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services — cessation	-	-	-	-	-
137	National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health — cessation	-	-	-	-	-
138	National Tobacco Campaign — a new and lower cost media campaign	1.5	-	-	-	-
138	Northern Territory Medical Programme — consolidation	-	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3
139	Partners in Recovery — reduced funding	-25.3	-28.5	-	-	-
139	Pausing indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule fees and the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate thresholds	-	-131.5	-378.5	-480.1	-597.3
140	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System — continuation	-	118.8	-	-	-
	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme					
140	– increase in co-payments and safety net thresholds	-	-143.3	-301.3	-361.0	-442.6
141	– Medication Charts for Public and Private Hospitals	-	4.3	1.4	0.4	0.4
141	– new and amended listings	6.2	69.2	82.9	94.7	107.1
142	– price amendments	0.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2
143	Rebuilding general practice education and training to deliver more GPs	-	120.3	223.5	233.3	252.0
143	Reform of the Operation and Management of the National Medical Stockpile	-	1.5	5.1	4.6	4.2
235	Routine Replenishment of the National Medical Stockpile(c)	-	1.8	-	-	-

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	HEALTH (continued)					
144	Rural and Regional General Practice Teaching Infrastructure Grants	-	21.0	21.0	10.5	-
145	Simplifying Medicare safety net arrangements	-	0.9	-53.4	-115.0	-116.3
	Smaller Government					
145	– Australian National Preventive Health Agency — abolish	1.0	23.6	21.3	21.0	21.3
146	– More Efficient Health Workforce Development	5.1	188.0	169.9	166.4	190.5
146	Sporting Schools Initiative	-	-	-	-	-
146	Stoma Appliance Scheme — new listing and amendments	-	..	..	-0.1	-0.1
158	Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals	1.3	7.4	9.9	15.1	19.4
147	Supporting the Royal Flying Doctor Service	-	6.0	-	-	-
147	Tasmanian nursing and allied health scholarship and support scheme — cessation	-	-2.0	-2.6	-2.6	-2.7
147	Tobacco Plain Packaging Litigation	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
148	Transfer of Payment Administration Functions for Professional Pharmacy Programmes	0.6	1.4	-	-	-
148	Water Safety — reduce drownings	1.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.0
149	World Health Organization — reduced funding	-2.3	-	-	-	-
	<i>General Practice Education and Training Limited</i>					
143	Rebuilding general practice education and training to deliver more GPs	-	-136.7	-264.5	-269.2	-274.1
	<i>Health Workforce Australia</i>					
146	Smaller Government — More Efficient Health Workforce Development	-	-211.5	-214.1	-216.8	-219.5
	<i>National Health and Medical Research Council</i>					
126	Boosting Dementia Research	-	32.0	31.0	31.0	40.0
144	Simplified and consistent health and medical research	-	4.1	5.0	0.3	0.3
	Portfolio total	-67.0	-86.2	-1,899.3	-2,030.7	-2,121.6
	HUMAN SERVICES					
	<i>Department of Human Services</i>					
189	Aged Care Payroll Tax Supplement — cessation	-	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1
191	Apply the One-Week Ordinary Waiting Period to all Working Age Payments	0.2	4.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
191	Cease indexation of the Clean Energy Supplement	0.5	1.8	-	-	-
82	Child Care: Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance — reforms	..	5.0	2.8	2.1	2.1

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	HUMAN SERVICES (continued)					
	Commonwealth Seniors Health Card					
192	– annual indexation of income thresholds	..	1.3	0.5	0.8	1.0
193	– include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment	..	2.8	..	..	-0.1
193	Cessation of the Seniors Supplement — Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders	0.1	3.6	-	-	-
150	Community Innovation through Collaboration Programme — cessation	-4.1	-7.2	-	-	-
94	Connection Interviews and Job Seeker Workshops — cessation	-	-4.4	-	-	-
	Disability Support Pension					
195	– compulsory participation requirements for recipients aged under 35 years	0.4	5.9	3.3	2.2	2.2
196	– reduced portability	0.1	8.8	4.1	3.8	4.3
196	– review recipients aged under 35 years	0.4	12.6	8.5	-	-
128	Doubling the Practice Incentives Programme Teaching Payment	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3
197	Education Entry Payment — cessation	0.8	0.8	-	-	-
	Family Payment Reform					
197	– better targeting of Family Tax Benefit Part B	-	3.4	-1.8	-2.3	-4.2
198	– limit Family Tax Benefit Part B to families with children under six years of age	0.9	16.6	16.8	9.1	-21.8
198	– limit the Large Family Supplement to families with four or more children	-	1.4	1.9	0.5	0.2
199	– maintain Family Tax Benefit payment rates for two years	1.2	1.9	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1
199	– new Family Tax Benefit allowance	0.4	11.4	8.1	3.3	3.5
200	– remove the Family Tax Benefit Part A per child add-on	-	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.2
200	– revise Family Tax Benefit end-of-year supplements	0.6	2.3	16.2	9.9	6.0
129	Full implementation of National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme	-	-	..	..	0.1
130	General Practice Rural Incentives Programme — additional funding	0.4	..	-	-	-
201	Housing Help for Seniors — pilot — reversal	0.5	-2.0	-2.4	-2.4	-1.5
202	Income Management — one year extension and expansion to Ceduna, South Australia	-	76.3	-	-	-
202	Increase the Age Pension qualifying age to 70 years	-	-	-	-	-
203	Increasing the age of eligibility for Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance	0.3	17.1	39.0	48.8	46.3
203	Index Pension and Pension Equivalent Payments by the Consumer Price Index	1.8	1.6	0.1	2.0	3.1
167	Industry Skills Fund — establishment	..	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.1
204	Limit the Six-Week Portability Period for Student Payments	0.2	3.7	0.3	0.1	0.1

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	HUMAN SERVICES (continued)					
204	Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years Medicare Benefits Schedule	1.9	4.5	0.7	1.5	4.3
133	– comprehensive eye examinations	..	0.6	..	0.2	..
133	– introducing patient contributions for general practitioner, pathology and diagnostic imaging services	0.2	7.4	34.2	28.6	26.0
134	– new and amended listings	-	..	..	..	..
135	– reduced optometry rebates and removal of charging cap	-	0.1	-	-	-
135	– Revised Capital Sensitivity Provisions for Diagnostic Imaging Equipment	-	0.6	-	-	-
136	Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme — continuation	-	1.0	-	-	-
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-0.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-2.3
139	Pausing indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule fees and the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate thresholds	..	..	0.1	..	-
206	Pensioner Education Supplement — cessation	0.1	-1.2	-2.7	-2.5	-2.4
140	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System — continuation	-	20.8	-	-	-
140	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — increase in co-payments and safety net thresholds	0.1	..	-0.9	-1.3	-1.8
141	– medication charts for public and private hospitals	0.1	4.6	3.3	1.3	0.6
141	– new and amended listings	0.6	1.8	1.4	1.9	2.5
206	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients	-	3.7	0.5	0.1	-
207	Remove Relocation Scholarship Assistance for Students Relocating Within and Between Major Cities	0.2	6.2	0.7	0.7	0.7
208	Reprioritising the Aged Care Workforce Supplement	0.1	-	-	-	-
208	Reset the Assets Test Deeming Rate Thresholds	2.0	-	-	1.6	13.8
145	Simplifying Medicare safety net arrangements	0.2	2.5	8.7	1.8	0.2
209	Social Security Agreement with India	-	2.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
98	Stronger compliance arrangements for job seekers who refuse or persistently fail to meet requirements	0.3	3.9	2.4	2.4	2.3
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30	0.4	41.7	67.6	65.7	63.0
158	Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals	1.5	10.2	9.3	12.3	14.2
53	Support to Drought Affected Farmers	2.8	2.1	0.9	1.0	0.1

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	HUMAN SERVICES (continued)					
182	Tasmanian Wheat Freight Scheme — cessation	..	0.1	-	-	-
148	Transfer of Payment Administration Functions for Professional Pharmacy Programmes	-0.6	-1.4	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	14.1	281.6	225.8	193.0	164.1
	IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION					
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
151	Combating people smuggling — international engagement	-	3.7	-	-	-
152	Donation of Bay Class vessels — Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-
155	Operation Sovereign Borders — Special Envoy	0.5	0.5	-	-	-
157	Smaller Government — strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services	-	30.2	33.8	9.1	15.5
110	Southern Ocean flights — monitoring of whaling and protest fleets	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>					
124	2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games — operational support	-	-	-	-	-
151	Asylum Seeker Support — additional funding	-	27.8	-	-	-
151	Displaced Persons Programme — cessation	-9.4	-7.0	-7.4	-7.4	-7.2
152	Education Services for Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Christmas Island	-	2.6	-	-	-
152	Managing the Legacy of Illegal Maritime Arrivals in Australia	-117.5	-288.1	529.1	-6.9	-7.0
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-1.1	-1.3	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5
154	Offshore Biometrics Programme — expansion	-	-4.8	-4.7	-4.5	-4.6
155	Offshore Processing Centres — renegotiating major service provider contracts	6.8	-37.6	-27.0	-11.1	-8.6
155	Onshore Immigration Detention Network — estate management plan	1.1	-24.4	-24.1	-52.4	-64.9
156	Outreach Officer Programme — cessation	-	-2.8	-2.8	-2.8	-2.8
156	Reducing Access to the Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme for Onshore Protection Visa Applicants	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5
156	Regional Cooperation Arrangements — additional funding	1.3	22.0	49.0	-	-
158	Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals	-	8.3	0.7	-	-
159	Supporting Rapid Transfers and Operation Sovereign Borders	-	-	-	-	-

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	IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION (continued)					
159	Unaccompanied humanitarian minors — additional funding	-	15.2	12.1	-	-
160	Visa simplification to support the vocational education and training sector	-	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5
	Portfolio total	-118.4	-256.2	556.9	-77.6	-81.1
	INDUSTRY					
	<i>Australian Institute of Marine Science</i>					
170	Science and Research Agencies — reduced funding	-	-1.8	-1.9	-2.1	-2.0
	<i>Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation</i>					
	Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation					
162	— additional funding	-	8.5	8.9	9.4	4.9
162	— permanent disposal of used nuclear fuel	-	2.7	2.9	18.8	1.4
170	Science and Research Agencies — reduced funding	-	-6.6	-6.8	-7.1	-7.0
	<i>Australian Renewable Energy Agency</i>					
163	Australian Renewable Energy Agency — cessation	-	-	-	-	-357.0
	<i>Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation</i>					
164	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation — Marine National Facility research vessel — continuation	-11.1	17.4	18.2	20.7	20.5
170	Science and Research Agencies — reduced funding	-	-26.4	-27.5	-28.9	-28.6
	<i>Department of Industry</i>					
161	Acacia Park Industrial Estate Armidale — contribution reversal	-0.2	-	-	-	-
161	Australia-China Science and Research Fund — continuation	-	2.0	2.5	2.8	2.6
162	Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Programme — Tools For Your Trade — cessation	-	-142.4	-254.8	-257.4	-260.0
163	Australian Renewable Energy Agency — cessation	-	6.0	5.4	4.3	2.8
163	Automotive Assistance — reduced funding	-100.0	-100.0	-	-	-118.0
164	Carbon Capture and Storage Flagships — reduced funding	-	-	-	-	-162.9
164	Entrepreneurs' Infrastructure Programme — establishment	-53.7	-32.8	-131.5	-142.1	-149.2
165	Ethanol Production Grants Programme — cessation	-	-	-122.1	-122.1	-122.1
166	General Motors Holden — next generation vehicles — cessation	-36.0	-50.7	-112.7	-15.6	-
166	Growth Fund — establishment	-4.7	10.4	20.6	27.9	14.1
167	Industry grant programmes — reduced funding	-2.0	-0.9	-	-	-

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	INDUSTRY (continued)					
167	Industry Skills Fund — establishment	-64.6	-195.3	-113.8	-85.0	-65.1
168	Manufacturing Transition Grants Programme — establishment	-	2.6	34.3	13.1	-
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-3.8	-8.6	-10.8	-11.3	-11.4
169	Montara Commission of Inquiry — implementation of Government response — finalisation	-	-	-	-	-
169	National Low Emissions Coal Initiative — reduced funding	-7.0	-9.8	-	-	-
169	National Radioactive Waste Management — second stage business case	-	6.8	7.1	8.8	-
68	Office of Spatial Policy — transfer of functions	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.2	-1.2
170	Oilcode dispute resolution services — extension	-	-	-	-	-
170	Plantation Manufacturing Innovation and Investment Fund — cessation	-5.6	-4.9	-4.9	-	-
17	Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation(b)	-	1.8	-	-	-
171	Science for Australia's Future — continuation	-	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0
171	Smaller Government — Unique Student Identifier — revised governance arrangement	-	-	-	-	-
171	Tasmanian Major Projects Approval Agency — establishment	-	0.9	0.9	0.9	-
172	Textile, Clothing and Footwear Structural Adjustment Programme — support services	-	-1.5	-	-	-
172	Trade Support Loans — establishment	2.0	47.8	127.1	141.0	155.1
	Portfolio total	-286.7	-469.2	-553.4	-418.2	-1,076.0
	INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT					
	<i>Australian Maritime Safety Authority</i>					
181	Protection of the Sea Levy — reduction — offsetting savings	-	-9.0	-9.0	-10.0	-11.0
	<i>Australian Transport Safety Bureau</i>					
178	Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 — search	10.4	49.6	-	-	-
	<i>Civil Aviation Safety Authority</i>					
174	Civil Aviation Safety Authority Board — expansion	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development</i>					
174	Hobart International Airport Runway Extension — contribution	-	5.5	26.1	6.4	-
174	Indian Ocean Territories — additional funding	-	npf	-	-	-

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	INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT (continued)					
	Infrastructure Growth Package					
175	– addition to the Infrastructure Investment Programme for new investments	-	-	350.0	-	-
176	– WestConnex Stage 2 — provision of a concessional loan	-	3.8	96.6	344.5	314.9
176	– Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan — Road Funding	*	*	*	*	*
177	– Western Sydney Infrastructure Unit — establishment	-	28.3	27.5	16.2	5.8
178	Local Government Financial Assistance Grants — pause indexation for three years	-	-95.8	-200.4	-307.8	-321.1
178	Local Government Reform Fund — cessation	-1.2	-	-	-	-
178	Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 — search	1.0	1.0	-	-	-
179	National Stronger Regions Fund — establishment	-	-	200.0	200.0	200.0
	Norfolk Island					
179	– essential air services	-	nfp	-	-	-
180	– financial assistance	-	7.5	-	-	-
180	– governance reforms	-	2.0	-	-	-
181	Protection of the Sea Levy — reduction — offsetting savings	-	-	-	-	-
181	Smaller Government — Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development — savings	-2.8	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7
182	Sustaining Australia's Maritime Skills — cessation	-1.6	-1.7	-1.7	-	-
182	Tasmanian Wheat Freight Scheme — cessation	-	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1
	Portfolio total	5.8	-13.5	484.3	244.5	183.8
	PARLIAMENT					
	<i>Department of Parliamentary Services</i>					
183	Department of Parliamentary Services — additional funding	-	-	-	-	-
183	Parliament House maintenance and asset replacement — assessment and strategic review	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-	-	-	-
	PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET					
	<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>					
184	Australia hosting the Group of 20 — reduced funding requirement	-	-7.0	-	-	-
184	Clontarf Foundation Academy — expansion	-	1.1	2.8	4.7	4.8
184	Community Engagement Police Officers in the Northern Territory	-	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5
85	Expanding opportunity — Higher Education Indexation — revised arrangements	-	-	-0.2	-0.5	-0.7

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET (continued)					
185	Indigenous Affairs Programmes — rationalisation	-	-94.5	-98.8	-105.5	-110.4
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-	..	..	..	..
185	National Congress of Australia's First Peoples — cessation	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-
186	Outback Power	-	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7
186	Permanent Police Presence in Remote Indigenous Communities	-	6.9	13.2	13.5	20.5
186	Remote School Attendance Strategy — extension	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Smaller Government</i>					
187	— Council of Australian Governments Reform Council — cessation	-	-4.2	-4.8	-4.7	-4.7
187	— National Security Legislation Monitor — cessation	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30	-	6.0	17.2	19.8	19.8
188	Support for the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce — continuation	-	-	-	-	-
188	Women's Leadership and Development Strategy — savings	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
	<i>Office of the Australian Information Commissioner</i>					
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements	-	-3.3	-10.4	-10.3	-10.4
	<i>Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman</i>					
217	Inspector-General of Taxation — transfer of tax complaints handling	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Torres Strait Regional Authority</i>					
185	Indigenous Affairs Programmes — rationalisation	-	-1.2	-0.9	-0.8	-0.6
	Portfolio total	-	-98.9	-85.0	-87.1	-80.0
	SOCIAL SERVICES					
	<i>Department of Social Services</i>					
77	A sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme — repayment thresholds and indexation	-	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
189	ACT Accommodation — Department of Social Services	-	5.1	2.2	1.0	-
189	Aged Care — Commonwealth Home Support Programme — reduced rate of real funding growth	-	-	-	-	-
189	Aged Care Payroll Tax Supplement — cessation	-	-74.1	-155.5	-161.3	-169.4

Table 2: Expense measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)					
190	Aged care services for the Arabic speaking Muslim community in Western Sydney	-	0.5	3.5	6.0	-
190	Aged care services for the Maronite community of Western Sydney	-	-	6.0	4.0	-
190	Andrew Fisher Applied Policy Institute for Ageing — redirection	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2
191	Apply the One-Week Ordinary Waiting Period to all Working Age Payments	0.1	-46.2	-64.8	-66.1	-64.7
191	Cease indexation of the Clean Energy Supplement	-	-41.3	-86.5	-140.4	-188.6
192	Certain Concessions for Pensioners and Seniors Card Holders	-	-	-	-	-
	Commonwealth Seniors Health Card					
192	– annual indexation of income thresholds	-	5.3	13.1	21.1	28.4
193	– include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment	-	-0.3	-1.6	-3.3	-5.1
193	Cessation of the Seniors Supplement — Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders	..	-220.1	-235.8	-253.2	-260.4
194	Community Business Partnership — re-establishment	-	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
194	Community Development Financial Institutions Pilot Project — one year extension	-	1.5	-	-	-
194	Disability and Carers Industry Advisory Council — establishment	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
195	Disability Employment Services — Disability Management Services — partial tender	-	7.0	0.1	-	-
	Disability Support Pension					
195	– compulsory participation requirements for recipients aged under 35 years	-	6.5	6.0	1.5	-1.0
196	– reduced portability	-	0.1	-8.6	-12.2	-12.8
196	– review recipients aged under 35 years	-	1.1	2.1	7.0	6.7
197	Discretionary Grant Programme Reform	-	-51.9	-57.1	-71.0	-60.0
197	Education Entry Payment — cessation	-	-9.5	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2
	Family Payment Reform					
197	– better targeting of Family Tax Benefit Part B	-	0.4	-377.4	-419.8	-427.7
198	– limit Family Tax Benefit Part B to families with children under six years of age	-	0.6	-87.2	-244.8	-1,578.8
198	– limit the Large Family Supplement to families with four or more children	-	0.4	-124.7	-125.1	-128.2
199	– maintain Family Tax Benefit payment rates for two years	-	-398.8	-718.5	-730.4	-740.6
199	– new Family Tax Benefit allowance	-	0.5	8.1	29.6	90.1
200	– remove the Family Tax Benefit Part A per child add-on	-	0.4	-76.7	-69.3	-62.2
200	– revise Family Tax Benefit end-of-year supplements	-	..	-410.0	-399.0	-424.5

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)					
201	Grants Management Platform Business Case	-	2.1	-	-	-
201	Housing Help for Seniors — pilot — reversal	-	-9.3	-28.9	-50.9	-63.2
201	Improving the allocation of home care places	-	36.3	116.2	-3.0	-149.5
202	Income Management — one year extension and expansion to Ceduna, South Australia	-	24.8	-	-	-
202	Increase the Age Pension qualifying age to 70 years	-	-	-	-	-
203	Increasing the age of eligibility for Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance	-	-26.1	-183.2	-232.2	-218.1
203	Index Pension and Pension Equivalent Payments by the Consumer Price Index	-	-1.1	-16.4	-43.9	-331.3
204	Limit the Six-Week Portability Period for Student Payments	0.1	-29.4	-41.0	-42.8	-44.4
204	Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years	-	-132.4	-245.9	-374.6	-500.7
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-2.4	-10.7	-19.7	-34.6	-54.7
96	Move 2 Work — cessation	-	-0.1	-	-	-
205	National Homelessness Research Strategy — reduced funding	-3.1	-	-	-	-
205	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness — extension	-	-	-	-	-
205	National Rental Affordability Scheme — discontinue incentive allocations	-	-	-7.2	-19.6	-20.2
206	National Respite for Carers Programme — redirection	-7.7	-	-	-	-
206	Pensioner Education Supplement — cessation	-	-41.1	-79.8	-77.7	-74.0
207	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients	-	-218.4	-202.0	-55.9	-16.6
207	Remove Relocation Scholarship Assistance for Students Relocating Within and Between Major Cities	-	-55.5	-77.0	-81.0	-84.9
208	Reprioritising the Aged Care Workforce Supplement	-77.4	104.8	21.5	-43.2	-59.6
208	Reset the Assets Test Deeming Rate Thresholds	-	-	-	0.1	-45.6
209	Social Security Agreement with India	-	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.7
98	Stronger compliance arrangements for job seekers who refuse or persistently fail to meet requirements	-	-7.3	-8.1	-8.3	-8.2
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30	-	-293.0	-582.2	-622.5	-626.6
211	Stronger Relationships Trial	-	19.9	0.1	-	-
158	Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals	-	54.6	88.9	125.8	165.7
53	Support to Drought Affected Farmers	0.1	6.6	-	-	-

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	SOCIAL SERVICES (continued)					
221	Veterans' Disability Pensions — commencement of payments from date of claim	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
211	Young Carer Bursary Programme	-	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5
	Portfolio total	-91.4	-1,386.8	-3,645.2	-4,207.1	-6,148.1
	TREASURY					
	<i>Australian Competition and Consumer Commission</i>					
213	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission — additional funding	-	-	-	-	17.7
215	Extension of Unfair Contract Provisions to Small Businesses	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
	<i>Australian Securities and Investments Commission</i>					
214	Australian Securities and Investments Commission — savings	3.0	-26.0	-32.5	-32.1	-32.4
12	Farm Management Deposits — exempting deposits from the unclaimed moneys scheme(b)	-	-	*	*	*
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
212	Abolish the Seafarer Tax Offset	-	-	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0
214	Australian Taxation Office — savings	-	-	-16.8	-42.0	-84.0
215	Exploration Development Incentive — Introduction	-	25.0	35.0	40.0	-
216	First Home Saver Accounts scheme — cessation	-1.0	-18.0	-36.1	-37.1	-38.1
86	Higher Education Superannuation Programme — resumption of payments to universities in NSW	-	-	-	-	-
10	Korea-Australia Free Trade Agreement(b)	-	-	0.3	0.3	0.3
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-	-	-	-	-
205	National Rental Affordability Scheme — discontinue incentive allocations	-	-	-28.8	-78.5	-80.9
16	Product Stewardship for Oil Scheme — modification to the levy(b)	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.0
17	Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation(b)	-	100.7	350.0	550.0	800.0
207	Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients	-	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
18	Research and Development Tax Incentive — reducing the rates of the refundable and non-refundable tax offsets(b)	-	-70.0	-70.0	-70.0	-70.0

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	TREASURY (continued)					
18	Restoring integrity in the Australian tax system — further decisions(b)	-1.3	-7.9	-10.9	-5.2	10.4
209	Social Security Agreement with India	-	-	-	-	-
218	Taxation treatment of biodiesel — modification	-	-	-52.0	-53.0	-51.0
172	Trade Support Loans — establishment	1.2	2.2	0.7	0.6	0.5
	<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
212	Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland	-37.2	-32.4	6.3	3.1	-
213	Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland — establishment of an insurance comparison website	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
55	Adelaide Festival Centre — support for Asian cultural activities — cessation	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-
125	Australian Government Commonwealth Games Funding Commitment	156.0	-	-	-	-
12	Australian Reinsurance Pool Corporation — assess future options(b)	-	1.2	-	-	-
214	Brisbane Cross River Rail and Melbourne Metro Projects Advisory Board — cessation	-	-1.6	-	-	-
192	Certain Concessions for Pensioners and Seniors Card Holders	-	-303.6	-314.4	-326.6	-337.6
82	Child Care: Neighbourhood Model Occasional Care — reinstatement	-	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2
126	Commonwealth Public Hospitals — change to funding arrangements	-	-217.3	-260.5	-133.4	-1,162.8
58	Disaster Relief — New South Wales and Victorian fires	1.0	-	-	-	-
51	Exotic Disease Preparedness Programme — cessation	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
129	Full implementation of National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme	-	-	0.2	4.7	6.4
131	Improving local access to health care on Phillip Island	-	2.5	-	-	-
131	Indigenous teenage sexual and reproductive health and young parent support — continuation	-	25.5	-	-	-
167	Industry Skills Fund — establishment	7.9	-26.7	-	-	-
	Infrastructure Growth Package					
175	– addition to the Infrastructure Investment Programme for new investments	1,000.0	201.7	660.3	969.2	519.3
216	– Asset Recycling Initiative — establishment	-	335.0	1,278.0	1,285.0	1,007.0
176	– Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan — Road Funding	-	103.0	210.2	351.6	530.9
120	International Tourism — Demand Driver Infrastructure	-	11.0	10.7	10.7	10.7
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15	-1.8	-6.0	-11.3	-17.0	-22.8
61	National Bushfire Mitigation Programme	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	-

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	TREASURY (continued)					
137	National Partnership Agreement for adult public dental services — deferral	-	-200.0	-95.0	-95.0	-
205	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness — extension	-	115.0	-	-	-
137	National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services — cessation	-	-	-99.5	-99.5	-2.0
137	National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health — cessation	-	-53.5	-53.5	-130.4	-130.5
205	National Rental Affordability Scheme — discontinue incentive allocations	-	-	-	-	-
138	Northern Territory Medical Programme — consolidation	-	-2.3	-2.3	-2.4	-2.4
121	Official Development Assistance — reprioritised funding	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
142	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — price amendments	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
108	Port Arthur Penitentiary restoration — contribution	-	1.5	-	-	-
17	Reintroduction of fuel excise indexation(b)	-	10.0	20.0	40.0	60.0
63	Schools Security Programme	-	-	-	-	-
217	Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
181	Smaller Government — Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development — savings	-61.6	-24.5	-51.9	-2.5	-
53	Support to Drought Affected Farmers	5.0	17.0	-	-	-
112	Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan — establishment	-	0.3	0.1	0.2	-
	<i>Inspector General of Taxation</i>					
217	Inspector-General of Taxation — transfer of tax complaints handling	-	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7
	<i>National Competition Council</i>					
217	Smaller Government — National Competition Council Secretariat — transfer	-	-0.8	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0
	Portfolio total	1,070.8	-26.3	1,444.1	2,138.8	953.1
	VETERANS' AFFAIRS					
	<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>					
189	Aged Care Payroll Tax Supplement — cessation	-	-12.2	-25.7	-26.9	-28.5
219	Building Excellence in Support and Training — additional funding	-	-	-	-	1.0
191	Cease indexation of the Clean Energy Supplement	-	-2.8	-5.2	-7.3	-9.2
	Commonwealth Seniors Health Card					
192	— annual indexation of income thresholds	-	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.7
193	— include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment	-	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1

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Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
VETERANS' AFFAIRS (continued)						
193	Cessation of the Seniors Supplement — Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders	-	-24.9	-23.9	-22.9	-21.8
219	Dental and Allied Health Provider Fees — defer and align indexation	-	-4.4	-9.4	-9.0	-12.8
219	Department of Veterans' Affairs Enhanced Compliance Programme — additional reviews	-	-4.1	-10.4	-13.6	-14.0
129	Full implementation of National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme	-	-	..	0.2	0.3
201	Housing Help for Seniors — pilot — reversal	-0.7	-1.5	-2.6	-3.6	-3.1
203	Index Pension and Pension Equivalent Payments by the Consumer Price Index	-	-	-	-	-65.1
204	Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years	-	-	-	-	-4.7
Medicare Benefits Schedule						
133	– comprehensive eye examinations	-	0.5	1.3	0.9	0.7
134	– new and amended listings	-	0.8	1.5	1.7	2.2
135	– Revised Capital Sensitivity Provisions for Diagnostic Imaging Equipment	-	..	..	..	..
139	Pausing indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule fees and the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate thresholds	-	-10.2	-16.0	-16.8	-23.5
140	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System — continuation	-	0.1	-	-	-
Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme						
140	– increase in co-payments and safety net thresholds	-	-1.9	-4.4	-4.2	-4.2
141	– new and amended listings	0.1	2.2	2.4	2.7	3.0
142	– price amendments	..	0.1	..	..	..
220	Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new listings and price amendments	..	..	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4
208	Reprioritising the Aged Care Workforce Supplement	-10.8	14.2	-0.3	-10.5	-12.0
208	Reset the Assets Test Deeming Rate Thresholds	-	-	-	-	-4.6
220	Smaller Government — Defence Service Homes Insurance Scheme — independent scoping study	-	0.2	-	-	-
221	Veterans' Disability Pensions — commencement of payments from date of claim	-	-5.8	-11.5	-11.4	-11.2
221	Veterans' Incapacity Payments — review by medical specialist after 12 months	-	-0.1	-2.3	-4.5	-5.8

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Page		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	VETERANS' AFFAIRS (continued)					
222	Western Front Interpretive Centre — Villers-Bretonneux, France — initial funding	-	0.8	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-11.3	-48.8	-106.4	-125.0	-213.1
	Decisions taken but not yet announced	-8.9	410.2	-414.0	-766.2	-1,091.0
	Depreciation expense	-	-0.6	1.9	3.1	2.5
	Total impact of expense measures(d)	50.9	-1,939.4	-5,498.1	-7,688.0	-14,238.3

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

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- 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

A Competitive Agriculture Sector — boosting farm profits through rural research and development

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	20.0	30.0	30.0	20.0

The Government will provide an additional \$100.0 million over four years to fund research in partnership with Rural Research and Development Corporations (RDCs).

The funding will be used to provide grants for research projects that focus on delivering cutting edge technologies and applied research, with an emphasis on how the research outcomes would be used by farmers. The programme will require research to be done collaboratively between RDCs and one or more research providers with a financial contribution from one or more of the parties required.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for a Competitive Agriculture Sector*.

A Competitive Agriculture Sector — improved access to agricultural and veterinary chemicals

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	0.7	2.1	2.9	2.3

The Government will provide \$8.0 million over four years to improve access by farmers for minor use agricultural and veterinary chemicals.

The funding will support the development of tools for improving access to the chemicals identified as high priority and enhancing existing legislative and administrative arrangements to facilitate access.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for a Competitive Agriculture Sector*.

A Competitive Agriculture Sector — stronger biosecurity and quarantine arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	5.6	4.7	4.7	4.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>	-	0.1	..	..	..

The Government will provide \$20.0 million over four years to strengthen Australia's biosecurity and quarantine arrangements by providing additional resources to address pest and disease incursions. The additional funding will complement existing state and territory government emergency response arrangements.

Funding will be provided for additional, immediately available personnel and resources for early intervention when there is a significant incursion. It will also provide for national and international experts and for new and enhanced preparedness plans and activities, including developing vaccine stores, to ensure best practice management in the event of an incursion.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for a Competitive Agriculture Sector*.

A Competitive Agriculture Sector — support for small exporters

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	4.1	2.5	4.5	3.9

The Government will provide \$15.0 million over four years to support small exporters in sectors where there are specific export certification registration charges.

Funding will be provided in 2014-15 to provide eligible small exporters with a rebate of 50 per cent of their export certification registration costs, up to a maximum of \$5,000. From 2015-16, funding will be provided for projects that directly benefit small exporters, particularly projects to improve market access. The Government will consult the small exporter sectors on the projects to be considered.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for a Competitive Agriculture Sector*.

A more competitive and sustainable fisheries sector

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$9.0 million over four years to support a more competitive and sustainable fisheries sector.

The measure comprises:

- \$2.4 million over four years to support OceanWatch as a recognised Natural Resource Management group with the responsibility for enhancing fish habitats and improving water quality in estuaries and coastal marine environments;
- \$5.0 million over four years to undertake a review and strategic analysis of invasive marine pests with a view to the removal or eradication of these pests, and to address the recommendations of the review once it is completed; and
- \$1.6 million over four years to support national recreational and commercial fishing peak bodies to develop and promote sustainable fishing practices, to assist the recreational and commercial fishing sectors to interpret and implement the national maritime safety standards, and to develop a survey methodology to conduct recreational fishing surveys on the social and economic impacts of recreational fishing.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition’s Policy for a More Competitive and Sustainable Fisheries Sector*.

Agriculture Advancing Australia — International Agricultural Cooperation Programme — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.8 million over three years from 2015-16 from the *Agriculture Advancing Australia – International Agricultural Cooperation Programme*. Funding of around \$0.3 million per annum will continue to be available.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Animal Welfare Strategy — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.3 million over three years by ceasing the *Australian Animal Welfare Strategy Programme* from 1 July 2015.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Exotic Disease Preparedness Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
Total — Expense	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.8 million over four years by ceasing payments to the States for the *Exotic Diseases Preparedness Programme* on 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Fisheries Resources Research Fund — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.9 million over three years from 2015-16 from the *Fisheries Resources Research Fund Programme*. Funding of more than \$2.0 million per annum will continue to be available.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Leveraging Australia's Brand for Food — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-0.9	-0.1	-0.1	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.1 million over three years from 2014-15 by ceasing the *Leveraging Australia's Brand for Food Programme*.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Live Animal Exports — Business Assistance Supply Chain and Official Development Assistance (Improved Animal Welfare Programme) — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-2.3	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.3 million in 2014-15 by ceasing the *Live Animal Exports – Business Assistance – improved supply chains and Official Development Assistance (Improved Animal Welfare Programme)* one year early on 30 June 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Payments of memberships to international commodity organisations — changed arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-1.7	-1.7	-1.8	-1.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$7.0 million over four years by changing arrangements for the payments of memberships to international commodity organisations. From 2014-15, membership fees for four international commodity organisations (relating to cotton, wine, sugar and grains) and six international fisheries organisations will be made from the Government's funding envelope for its matching contributions to the relevant Rural Research and Development Corporations (RDCs) instead of from direct appropriation funding.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-2.0	-3.0	-3.0	-3.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$11.0 million over four years from 2014-15 by reducing annual appropriation funding to the Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation (RIRDC). RIRDC will continue to receive approximately \$8.5 million per annum in annual appropriation funding from the Government as well as funding from statutory levies collected from rural industries and Commonwealth matching contributions for expenditure on research and development.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Support to Drought Affected Farmers

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	5.0	17.0	-	-	-
Department of Agriculture	4.7	13.7	1.7	0.9	-1.4
Department of Social Services	0.1	6.6	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	2.8	2.1	0.9	1.0	0.1
Total — Expense	12.5	39.4	2.6	1.8	-1.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>	<i>0.5</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>11.2</i>	<i>11.2</i>
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>
Total — Revenue	0.5	11.2	11.2	11.2	11.2

The Government will provide \$320.0 million over four years as part of a package of measures to support farmers affected by drought.

The package includes:

- more generous criteria for income support under the Interim Farm Household Allowance (Interim FHA) commencing from 1 March 2014;
- an amended, more generous asset test for the Farm Household Allowance (FHA);
- up to \$280.0 million over two years for concessional loans to eligible farm businesses affected by drought;
- up to \$12.0 million in 2014-15 to assist drought affected farm businesses with installing water-related infrastructure. Funding will be provided to supplement the Queensland and New South Wales existing emergency water infrastructure programmes and for other jurisdictions if they establish similar programmes;
- up to \$10.0 million over two years in 2013-14 and 2014-15 to assist farm businesses manage the impacts of pest animals in drought affected areas, with Commonwealth funding contingent on equal contributions from states; and
- up to \$10.7 million over two years from 2013-14 to enhance access to social and mental health services in communities affected by drought. Assistance will be delivered through the existing Family Support and Targeted Community Care (Mental Health) programmes within the Social Services portfolio, with \$3.2 million to be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Social Services.

The Government will provide funding to State and Territory governments for the administration costs associated with implementing the drought concessional loans.

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Further information can be found in the joint press release of 26 February 2014 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Agriculture.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S**Adelaide Festival Centre — support for Asian cultural activities — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-
Total — Expense	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.8 million over four years from 2013-14 by ceasing the *Adelaide Festival Centre – support for Asian cultural activities* programme.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Arts programmes — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-4.4	-5.0	-9.8	-14.6
Screen Australia	-	-5.2	-5.3	-7.3	-7.3
Australia Council	-	-9.6	-6.1	-6.2	-6.3
Total — Expense	-	-19.3	-16.3	-23.3	-28.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$87.1 million over four years by reducing uncommitted funding to arts programmes administered by the Attorney-General's Department, the Australia Council and Screen Australia.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Ballet School student residence

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	1.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.0 million in 2014-15 to support the purchase of a residence for the Australian Ballet School in Melbourne, which will provide boarding accommodation for students.

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Australian Emergency Management Institute — establish as a Virtual Institute

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	2.4	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.9 million over four years by transitioning the Australian Emergency Management Institute (AEMI) into a 'virtual' institute.

The AEMI will continue to be a Centre of Excellence for knowledge and capability development in the national emergency management sector providing a range of education, training, professional development, information, research and community awareness services to the nation and our region. The transition will allow AEMI greater flexibility to deliver emergency management training.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Federal Police — savings from efficiencies

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	-0.9	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>	-	0.3	..	..	..

The Government will achieve savings of \$11.7 million over four years through increased efficiencies in the Australian Federal Police.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Federal Police officers — cessation of additional recruitment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	-5.1	-11.6	-11.6	-11.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>	-	-2.5	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$42.5 million over four years from the remaining unspent funding for the measures *Sworn Australian Federal Police officers – increase* and *Australian Federal Police – retention and recruitment programme* announced in the 2008-09 Budget.

The AFP received funding for these measures to operate for five years which has now ceased. The AFP will cease recruitment of additional sworn officers at the end of the 2013-14 financial year.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Human Rights Commission — reduction in appointments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Human Rights Commission	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.7 million over four years by reducing the number of Human Rights Commissioners by one. An existing commissioner will take on a dual appointment, following the next vacancy in July 2014. This will achieve efficiencies within the Human Rights Commission.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Interactive Games Fund — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-10.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$10.0 million in 2014-15 by ceasing the *Australian Interactive Games Fund* from 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Confiscated Assets Account — additional expenditure

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	21.5	21.5	9.0	9.0

The Government will increase expenditure from the Confiscated Assets Account (CAA) under the *Proceeds of Crime Act 2002* by \$61.0 million over four years. Expenditure from the CAA will be used to fund crime prevention initiatives.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

See also the related expense measure titled *Safer Streets Programme – establishment and National Anti-Gang Squad* in the Attorney-General's Portfolio.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Tackle Crime*.

Creative Partnerships Australia — operational funding — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-0.3	1.8	1.9	1.9

The Government will provide \$5.4 million over four years to continue the operation of Creative Partnerships Australia (CPA). CPA generates private sector support for the arts through encouraging philanthropy, sponsorship and corporate volunteering.

Disaster Relief — New South Wales and Victorian fires

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	1.0	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	1.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$1.0 million for Personal Hardship Payments under a 50:50 cost-sharing arrangement with the Victorian Government for those affected by the open cut coal mine fire that started on 9 February 2014. This is in addition to the \$1.0 million in payments provided to victims of the September 2013 NSW bushfires through the *Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment Programme*.

Payments to individuals suffering hardship from natural disasters are in addition to those made by the Commonwealth Government to the states for the reconstruction of roads and infrastructure destroyed by natural disasters.

The payment to Victoria will be made under the Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements. Provision for the NSW bushfires has been met from within existing resources of the Attorney-General's Department.

Get Reading! Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$6.4 million over four years by ceasing the *Get Reading! Programme* which duplicates activity in the media and publishing sector. The programme will cease from 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Hobart Airport

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	-0.8	-4.8	-4.8	-4.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Federal Police	-	-6.9	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$22.0 million over four years by the Tasmanian Police Force assuming responsibility for security and policing activities at Hobart Airport.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Human Rights Education — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.8 million over four years by ceasing the *Commonwealth Human Rights Education Programme*. The programme will cease from 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Indigenous Languages Support Programme — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-2.3	-2.3	-2.4	-2.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$9.5 million over four years from the *Indigenous Languages Support Programme* (ILS). This saving reduces the additional funds provided in the 2013-14 Budget measure *Creative Australia – Indigenous Languages Support Programme* expansion. The ILS will continue to receive funding of \$11.1 million per year.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Legal Aid — withdrawal of additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-15.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$15.0 million in 2014-15 by partially reducing funding to legal aid commissions as announced in the *2013-14 Budget* measure titled *Legal assistance – expansion of funding*. The National Partnership for Legal Services Assistance will provide \$204.4 million for legal aid in 2014-15.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Matthew Flinders' Chart

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	..	0.2	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.2 million over two years from 2014-15 to work with the United Kingdom Government to transfer to Australia on long-term loan, Captain Matthew Flinders' original 1804 Chart of Australia, from his 1801-03 circumnavigation of the continent.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

National Anti-Gang Squad

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	3.6	3.1	3.2	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$10.2 million over three years from 2014-15 for the Australian Federal Police (AFP) to establish a dedicated Western Australian (WA) Anti-Gangs Squad to fight organised crime at a local level with the support of national tools, resources and intelligence.

The Anti-Gangs Squad will include officers from the AFP, Western Australia Police and the Australian Taxation Office, with access to the full suite of federal intelligence and operational resource

This measure will be funded from the Confiscated Assets Account which contains seized proceeds of crime.

This measure delivers upon the Government's election commitment that the proceeds of crime be used to fight crime.

Further information can be found in the press release of 1 April 2014 issued by the Prime Minister.

National Bushfire Mitigation Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	-
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	5.0	5.0	5.0	-

The Government will provide \$15.0 million over three years from 2014-15 to states and territories to implement long term bushfire mitigation strategies and better fuel reduction programmes. This will contribute to safer, more resilient communities, which are better able to prepare for, respond to and withstand the impacts and effects of bushfires.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Election Policy for a Strong and Sustainable Forestry Industry*.

National Partnership Agreement on Legal Assistance Services — extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$204.4 million in 2014-15 to extend the National Partnership Agreement on Legal Assistance Services by one year to 30 June 2015.

Funding under this agreement is provided to legal aid commissions through State and Territory governments to support the provision of legal services to disadvantaged Australians.

Provision for this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	18.4	29.6	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>	5.0	0.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$53.3 million over two years (including \$5.3 million in capital funding) to establish a Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption.

The Royal Commission will inquire into the governance arrangements and alleged financial irregularities associated with the affairs of employee associations, including trade unions, and the adequacy of existing laws as they relate to the governance and financial management arrangements of these entities.

The Royal Commission is expected to report by 31 December 2014.

The cost of this measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the Employment, Industry and Infrastructure and Regional Development portfolios.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 14 March 2014 issued by the Attorney-General and the Minister for Employment.

Safer Streets Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	0.3	18.5	14.7	14.9	0.2

The Government will provide \$50.0 million over four years to establish the *Safer Streets Programme*.

Local communities will be eligible to apply for grants to fund crime prevention programmes such as the installation of CCTV cameras and better lighting in known crime hotspots.

The cost of this measure will be partially offset by ceasing the 2013-14 Budget measure titled *Addressing gang violence and organised crime – National Crime Prevention Fund* which was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*. \$1.5 million will be met from within existing resources.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Tackle Crime*.

Schools Security Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Attorney-General's Department	-	6.0	6.0	6.0	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	6.0	6.0	6.0	-

The Government will provide \$18.0 million over three years from 2014-15 to establish the *Schools Security Programme*. The Programme aims to protect schools and pre-schools facing a unique risk of attack, harassment or violence stemming from racial or religious intolerance.

Funding of \$10.0 million will be redirected from the previous government's *Secure Schools Programme* to support this measure. The savings from not proceeding with this measure were included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Schools: Students First*.

Smaller Government — collection agencies — consolidation of back office functions

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	1.0	-0.2	-1.6	-1.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.4 million over four years from 2014-15 by consolidating the back office functions of the following Canberra-based collection agencies: National Portrait Gallery, National Gallery of Australia, National Library of Australia, Old Parliament House, National Film and Sound Archive, National Museum of Australia and the National Archives of Australia.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Human Rights Commission	-	2.7	5.5	5.4	5.5
Attorney-General's Department	-	0.5	0.9	0.9	0.9
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	-	0.3	0.5	0.5	0.5
Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman	-	-	-	-	-
Office of the Australian Information Commissioner	-	-3.3	-10.4	-10.3	-10.4
Total — Expense	-	0.1	-3.6	-3.6	-3.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Attorney-General's Department	-	0.4	-	-	-
Office of the Australian Information Commissioner	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Capital	-	0.4	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$10.2 million over four years by establishing new arrangements to deliver privacy and Freedom of Information (FOI) functions.

Privacy functions will be undertaken by the Privacy Commissioner as an independent statutory position within the Australian Human Rights Commission. External merits review of FOI decisions will be undertaken by the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, while responsibility for handling FOI complaints will be combined with the Commonwealth Ombudsman function. The Attorney-General's Department will take responsibility for the issuance of FOI guidelines, collection of statistics and provision of explanatory material on the operation of the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Timor-Leste Police Development Programme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	7.9	8.0	7.0	6.0
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-8.0	-8.0	-7.0	-6.0
Total — Expense	-	-0.1	..	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Federal Police	-	0.1	..	-	-
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Capital	-	0.1	..	-	-

The Government will provide \$29.0 million over four years to continue the *Timor-Leste Police Development Programme* which provides support to the Timor-Leste police force. Funding from this measure will focus on developing sustained capability in Timor-Leste as the first phase of a drawdown and exit strategy.

This measure forms part of the Government's *Official Development Assistance Programme*.

COMMUNICATIONS

Australian Broadcasting Corporation and Special Broadcasting Service Corporation — efficiency savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Special Broadcasting Service Corporation	-	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0
Australian Broadcasting Corporation	-	-8.8	-9.0	-8.8	-8.9
Total — Expense	-	-10.8	-11.0	-10.8	-10.9

As a down payment on the ABC and SBS Efficiency Study, the Government will achieve savings of \$43.5 million over four years through a one per cent reduction in the base funding of the Australian Broadcasting Corporation and the Special Broadcasting Service Corporation.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 31 January 2014 issued by the Minister for Communications.

Australian Communications and Media Authority — efficiency saving

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Communications and Media Authority	-	-0.9	-0.8	-0.8	-0.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.3 million over four years from a one-off one per cent efficiency saving from the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Enhancing Online Safety for Children

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Communications	-	1.3	3.2	3.1	2.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Communications</i>	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$10.0 million over four years to improve the protection of children online. Funding will be provided in three parts: \$7.5 million to provide online safety programmes for schools; \$0.1 million to support Australian-based research and information campaigns on online safety; and \$2.4 million to establish and operate the Office of the Children's e-Safety Commissioner.

The independent Commissioner will provide a national leadership role for online safety issues for industry, families and groups responsible for the wellbeing of children.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Enhance Online Safety for Children*.

Mobile Black Spot Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Communications	-	10.0	30.0	30.0	30.0

The Government will provide \$100.0 million over four years to improve the coverage and competition in the provision of terrestrial mobile voice and wireless broadband services in regional areas of Australia.

Co-contributions to match the grant funding provided will be sought from industry, state, territory and local governments and local communities with the implementation details of the programme to be determined after consultation with these stakeholders.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Mobile Black Spot Programme* policy document.

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Office of Spatial Policy — transfer of functions

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Communications	-	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2
Department of Industry	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.2	-1.2
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will transfer the functions of the Office of Spatial Policy from the Department of Industry to the Department of Communications. Relocating these functions for facilitating and coordinating spatial data management across Australian Government agencies within the Department of Communications will better support both the Government's e-Government agenda and the Department's rollout of the National Broadband Network.

The transfer will be achieved with no impact on the Budget.

Smaller Government — Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency — abolition and transfer to the Department of Communications

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Communications	-	-	351.6	331.6	331.6
Australian Communications and Media Authority	-	-	-	-	-
Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency	-	-1.0	-352.6	-332.6	-332.6
Total — Expense	-	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Department of Communications</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Australian Communications and Media Authority</i>	-	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0
Total — Revenue	-	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0	-1.0

The Government will abolish the Telecommunications Universal Service Management Agency and transfer its functions to the Department of Communications. These functions include the administration of the telecommunications universal service obligation which provides for services such as public payphones and the National Relay Service for the hearing impaired. The efficiencies from the merger will result in a saving to the telecommunications industry, which, in addition to an annual appropriation of \$100 million from the Government, funds the universal service obligation via a levy.

The transfer will be achieved with no impact on the Budget.

CROSS PORTFOLIO

Administered Programme Indexation Pause

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	-15.1	-34.1	-54.9	-60.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$165.0 million over four years through pausing the indexation of 112 administered programmes. The pause to indexation will apply for three years, commencing from 1 July 2014 or 1 July 2015 depending on the circumstances of the individual programme.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Efficiency Dividend — a further temporary increase of 0.25 per cent

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	-60.5	-118.2	-181.1	-184.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Various Agencies</i>	-	-2.6	-5.4	-8.2	-8.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$569.0 million over four years (including \$25.0 million in capital savings) by increasing the annual Efficiency Dividend by 0.25 per cent for the 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 financial years, with savings to be targeted in areas such as reduced advertising, consultancy and travel costs and deregulation efficiencies.

This measure applies to all Australian Government entities, except those that have been specifically exempted by the Government.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Parliamentarians and other public office holder salaries — freeze

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0

The Government has made a submission to the independent Remuneration Tribunal proposing to freeze the salaries and allowances of parliamentarians, departmental secretaries and all other public office holders at current levels for 12 months, over the period 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015. The freeze will also apply to the pensions of former parliamentarians received under the closed Parliamentary Contributory Superannuation Scheme. Subject to a final determination by the Tribunal, this is expected to achieve savings of \$20.0 million over four years.

A small loss of revenue associated with the resultant reduction in taxable income has been incorporated into the estimates.

Smaller Government — additional reductions in the number of Australian Government bodies

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	-0.4	-0.5	-6.4	-12.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$19.4 million over four years from 2014-15 by abolishing some government bodies and merging other government bodies to reduce duplication, improve coordination and increase efficiency in how public funds are used to deliver services to the community.

The Government will also implement the following reforms by 1 July 2015, to reduce the number of government bodies and the costs associated with separate governance arrangements:

- merging ComSuper with the Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation, so that the management of Commonwealth superannuation schemes will be undertaken by one body;
- merging the National Blood Authority with the Australian Organ and Tissue Donation and Transplantation Authority;
- merging the Private Health Insurance Ombudsman into the Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman;
- ceasing the Private Health Insurance Administration Council as a separate body, with the merger of private health insurance price monitoring functions into the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission, and the merger of health fund prudential regulation functions to the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority;

- ceasing the Corporations and Markets Advisory Committee (CAMAC) and the CAMAC Legal Committee;
- ceasing the Albury-Wodonga Development Corporation, with remaining property management functions consolidated into the Department of Finance;
- winding up the Australian River Company Ltd;
- rationalising committees within the Agriculture portfolio, including ceasing the Abalone Aquaculture Health Accreditation Working Group; merging the AQUAPLAN Working Group with the Aquaculture Committee; merging the Australian Weeds Committee, the Biosafety and Biosecurity Working Group and the Established Pests and Diseases Working Group with the National Biosecurity Committee; and ceasing the Grape and Wine Research and Development Selection Committee and the Wine Australia Corporation Selection Committee; and
- ceasing the Prime Minister's Indigenous Business Policy Advisory Group, which has been superseded by the creation of the Prime Minister's Indigenous Advisory Council.

The Government will amalgamate all of the Commonwealth merits review tribunals with the exception of the Veterans Review Board, from 1 July 2015. The amalgamated body will take on the functions of the Administrative Appeals Tribunal, the Social Security Appeals Tribunal, the Refugee Review Tribunal and Migration Review Tribunal, and the Classification Review Board. Details of the new arrangements will be developed in consultation with key stakeholders.

In the second half of 2014 the Government will consider, in consultation with the States, further rationalisation of government bodies, including the potential merging of six health care bodies to create a Health Productivity and Performance Commission. As part of its deliberations the Government will take into account the findings of the National Commission of Audit.

See also the related measures titled '*Smaller Government*' that include reforms to additional government bodies. Also see the measure '*Rebuilding General Practice Education and Training to deliver more GPs*'.

Further information can be found in the press release of 8 November 2013 issued by the Prime Minister, and the press release of 13 May 2014 issued by the Minister for Finance and the joint press release issued by Minister for Health and Minister for Finance.

DEFENCE

Australian Defence Force Gap Year Programme — re-establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	18.3	37.5	57.5	78.5

The Government will provide \$191.8 million over four years to re-establish the *Australian Defence Force Gap Year Programme*.

The programme will give school leavers the opportunity to experience the Australian Defence Force for one year.

Australians aged 17 to 24 years who have completed year 12 or equivalent studies will be eligible to apply for the Gap Year, with the first intake of the programme to occur in January 2015.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Stronger Defence*.

Australian Defence Force Support to the G20 Summit

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.0 million in 2014-15 for the Australian Defence Force to provide security support to the G20 Summit.

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

Defence Forces Retirement Benefits and Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits superannuation payments — indexation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	318.1	332.2	344.1	356.7
Total — Expense	-	318.1	332.2	344.1	356.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	-	*	*	*	*
Total — Revenue	-	*	*	*	*

The Government will allocate \$1.4 billion over four years as a result of improvements to the indexation of payments made under the Defence Forces Retirement Benefits (DFRB) and Defence Force Retirement and Death Benefits (DFRDB) superannuation schemes. The impact of this measure is \$135.1 million in underlying cash terms over the forward estimates.

From 1 July 2014, DFRB and DFRDB superannuation scheme members aged 55 and over will have their superannuation benefits indexed by the better of the Consumer Price Index and the Pensioner and Beneficiary Living Cost Index, with reference also to a benchmark level of Male Total Average Weekly Earnings.

Additionally, the Government will exempt DFRB and DFRDB members from any Division 293 tax liability for the one-off increase in the capitalised value of the benefit arising from the new indexation arrangements. Division 293 tax is imposed under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* on concessional contributions made by individuals whose income and relevant concessional tax contributions exceed \$300,000. This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Stronger Defence* and the *Coalition's Policy for Veterans and their Families*.

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

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	131.3	-33.7	18.5	-
Total — Expense	-	131.3	-33.7	18.5	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Defence	-	3.3	-	-	-
Australian Taxation Office	-	-8.0	-6.5	-	-
Total — Revenue	-	-4.7	-6.5	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Defence	-	..	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$116.2 million over three years for the net additional cost (including remediation costs) of continuing Australia's military contribution to international stabilisation and counter-terrorism efforts in the Middle East Area of Operations (MEAO) in 2014-15. The cost will be reduced by the recovery of \$3.3 million from other Coalition forces for logistic support provided by the Australian Defence Force (ADF).

In 2014-15 Australia's military contribution will be delivered through three operations: Operation Slipper — the ADF contribution to the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) campaign in Afghanistan; Operation Manitou — the ADF contribution to the international Combined Maritime Forces' operations to counter terrorism, piracy and related illegal activities in the MEAO; and Operation Accordion — the ADF's activities in the Gulf States of Bahrain, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates in support of Operation Slipper, Operation Manitou and the ADF's broader activities in the MEAO. In previous years all the above activities were included in Operation Slipper.

Funding has been provided for Operations Slipper and Accordion for the six months ending 31 December 2014, the end date for the current ISAF mission (see also Statement 8: Statement of Risks in Budget Paper 1).

Military Superannuation — establish new accumulation arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
ComSuper	-	-	1.5	0.8	-1.5
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-98.3	-165.3
Total — Expense	-	-	1.5	-97.6	-166.8
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-	6.7	14.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>ComSuper</i>	-	-	1.5	1.5	-

From 1 July 2016, the Government will establish a modern fully funded, accumulation superannuation scheme for new members of the Australian Defence Force (ADF). The existing Military Superannuation and Benefits Scheme (MSBS) will be closed to new members from this date.

The introduction of new fully funded arrangements will reduce the Government's unfunded superannuation liability by an estimated \$126 billion by 2050.

Existing MSBS members who leave and then rejoin the ADF are able to rejoin their existing MSBS arrangements.

There will be no change to the superannuation arrangements for existing MSBS members, but they may elect to be covered by the new arrangements.

Under the new arrangements, the Government will pay a 15.4 per cent contribution to a member's chosen superannuation fund. The contribution rate will increase to 18 per cent for any period in which members are serving in war-like operations.

Serving ADF personnel covered by the new arrangements will also be covered by statutory death and disability arrangements consistent with the defined benefit arrangement currently in place under the MSBS.

The new arrangements will be more flexible than the MSBS, as members will be able to transfer superannuation benefits to a fund of their choice.

Operation Resolute — extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	59.7	0.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$60.3 million over two years for the net additional cost of continuing Operation Resolute until June 2015. Operation Resolute is the Australian Defence Force's contribution to the whole-of-government effort to protect Australia's borders and offshore maritime interests.

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Funding beyond June 2015 will be considered in the *2015-16 Budget* consistent with Government consideration of expenditure for all Defence operations.

Further information can be found in the Coalition's *Operation Sovereign Borders* policy.

Savings and efficiencies

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-
Defence Materiel Organisation	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 billion over four years in the Defence portfolio through initiatives to increase efficiency, reduce spending in lower priority areas, and defer lower priority projects. All savings from this measure will be reinvested in Defence capability, resulting in no impact on overall Defence funding.

The major components of this measure are:

- a reduction in Defence civilian staff numbers, resulting in 1,200 fewer Australian Public Service staff and 300 fewer service provider staff by 2017-18, saving \$606 million over four years;
- a deferral of Phase 3 of the Single Living Environment and Accommodation Precinct project, saving \$300 million;
- a reduction in Smart Sustainment initiatives, saving \$63.6 million over four years; and
- a reduction in the use and support of the Australian Defence Force's fleet of General Service B-Vehicles, saving \$60 million over four years.

EDUCATION

A Sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme — HECS-HELP benefit — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-28.4	-29.0	-29.7

The Government will continue to make available *Higher Education Loan Programme* (HELP) loans so that eligible students do not have to pay their fees up-front. However, the HECS-HELP benefit, which was intended to provide an incentive for graduates of particular courses to take up related occupations or work in specified locations will end from 2015-16. This follows a recommendation of the Review of the Demand Driven Funding System that the benefit be discontinued as there was little evidence that it had been effective in addressing skill shortages.

This measure will achieve savings of \$87.1 million over three years.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

A Sustainable Higher Education Loan Programme — repayment thresholds and indexation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-0.2	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4
Department of Education	-	-348.5	-459.0	-583.4	-730.5
Total — Expense	-	-348.7	-459.4	-583.8	-730.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Social Services	-	-	0.1	0.2	0.4
Department of Education	-	-14.3	261.0	322.4	462.1
Total — Revenue	-	-14.3	261.1	322.6	462.6

The Government will reduce the income threshold for repayment of *Higher Education Loan Programme* (HELP) debts commencing in 2016-17 and will adjust the indexation of HELP debts from 1 June 2016. This is estimated to achieve savings of \$3.2 billion over four years from 2014-15.

A new minimum threshold will be established for the repayment of HELP debts, set at 90 per cent of the minimum threshold that would otherwise have applied in 2016-17. The new minimum threshold is currently estimated to be \$50,638 in 2016-17. A new repayment rate of 2 per cent of repayment income will be applied to debtors with incomes above the new minimum threshold. There will be no other change to current repayment rates.

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In addition, the annual indexation applied to HELP debts will be adjusted from the Consumer Price Index to a rate equivalent to the yields on 10 year bonds issued by the Australian Government, capped at 6.0 per cent per annum, from 1 June 2016.

HELP loans assist eligible students with the cost of their tertiary education fees.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

A Sustainable Higher Education System — Australian Research Council — efficiency dividend

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Research Council	-	-	-26.0	-24.1	-24.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$74.9 million over three years from 2015-16 by applying a one-off 3.25 per cent efficiency dividend in 2015-16 to the Australian Research Council's administered funding.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

A Sustainable Higher Education System — cessation of funding for the HC Coombs Policy Forum

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6	-1.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$6.4 million over four years from 2014-15 by ceasing funding for the HC Coombs Policy Forum element of the Commonwealth-Australian National University Strategic Relationship.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

A Sustainable Higher Education System — Higher Education Reward Funding — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-8.5	-26.2	-26.9	-28.5	-31.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$121.1 million over five years by ceasing Higher Education Reward Funding from 2014 onwards. Funding of \$20.1 million in 2013-14 has been retained to meet existing commitments.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

A Sustainable Higher Education System — Research Training Scheme — student contributions

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-33.4	-67.7	-69.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education</i>	-	-	-	0.7	2.4

The Government will reduce Research Training Scheme (RTS) funding from 1 January 2016 and allowing higher education providers to introduce student contributions for students undertaking higher degrees by research, including doctoral and masters degrees. This is estimated to achieve savings of \$173.7 million over three years from 2015-16. Higher education providers would be able to charge a student contribution up to a maximum of \$3,900 per equivalent full-time student (EFTS) for high cost courses and \$1,700 per EFTS for low cost courses.

Eligible students would have access to loans under the *Higher Education Loan Programme* to defer the payment of their student contributions.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Baccalaureate — discontinue development

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-0.3	-3.0	-3.1	-3.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$9.6 million over four years by not proceeding with the development of the Australian Baccalaureate.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-	-	-2.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.6 million per annum from 2017-18 through efficiencies in the operations of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA).

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The measure extends the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* measure titled *Students First – Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority – reduction in funding* which refocused the ACARA's activities to ensure it develops the highest possible standard curriculum and directs its resources to developing benchmarking processes so Australia can compare its curriculum against the world's best.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Government Quality Teacher Programme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	4.6	0.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$4.9 million over two years from 2013-14 to the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership for the continuation of the *Australian Government Quality Teacher Programme (AGQTP)*. The AGQTP provides funding to non-government education authorities in each state and territory to improve the quality of education through projects and activities that offer teachers and school leaders opportunities to develop their skills.

Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-2.7	-5.6	-6.1	-3.5	-2.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$19.9 million over five years from 2013-14 through efficiencies in the operations of the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL) including a refocus on core priorities. This includes savings of \$9.5 million over five years from 2013-14 from funding allocated to AITSL by the former Government for its National Plan for School Improvement.

See also related expense measure titled *Australian Government Quality Teacher Programme – continuation*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

The Government will provide \$1.0 million per annum from 2014-15 to the Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth (ARACY) for operational support and to undertake research and develop resources in the area of parental engagement.

The ARACY is a national non-profit organisation which brings together researchers, policy makers and practitioners to work on issues affecting the health, development and wellbeing of young Australians.

Centre for Quality Teaching and Learning — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-5.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$21.0 million over five years by not proceeding with funding for the *Better Schools – National Plan for School Improvement – Centre for Quality Teaching and Learning* measure published in the *2013 Economic Statement*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Child Care: Community Support Programme — additional funding and amended eligibility criteria

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	76.6	91.9	-51.6	-52.8	-52.7

The Government will provide an additional \$168.5 million over two years from 2013-14 to the *Community Support Programme (CSP)* to meet existing commitments. The Government will also achieve savings of \$157.1 million over three years from 2015-16 from tightened eligibility criteria.

The Government will amend the eligibility criteria for the CSP to address cost overruns and ensure consistency of access for all child care service providers. The CSP is designed to strengthen a service provider's ability to set up and run a child care service in an area where the service might not otherwise be viable. The eligibility criteria for new family day care services applying to the CSP from 1 April 2014, and existing providers from 1 July 2015, require applicants to be the only provider of family day care in the surrounding area, with weighting towards services setting up in regional and remote or disadvantaged communities. Similar criteria currently apply to participating long day care and out of school hours care providers.

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See also the related savings measure titled *Support for the Child Care System Programme – offsetting savings* in the Education portfolio.

Further information can be found in the press release of 21 March 2014 issued by the Assistant Minister for Education.

Child Care: Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance — reforms

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	27.9	7.4	-22.4	-0.4	19.0
Department of Human Services	..	5.0	2.8	2.1	2.1
Total — Expense	27.9	12.5	-19.6	1.7	21.1

The Government will provide an additional \$35.3 million over two years from 2013-14 and \$19.0 million in 2017-18 to help support the *Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance* (JETCCFA) programme to meet existing commitments and anticipated demand.

The Government will also reform the programme by introducing an \$8.00 per hour cap on JETCCFA funding per child and a weekly cap of 36 hours per child on the number of child care hours that can be claimed through JETCCFA by parents undertaking study. These reforms are estimated to achieve savings of \$22.8 million over two years from 2015-16.

The Department of Human Services will be provided with \$12.0 million over five years from 2013-14 to implement this measure, including increased compliance activities.

See also the related savings measure titled *Support for the Child Care System Programme – offsetting savings* in the Education portfolio.

Child Care: Neighbourhood Model Occasional Care — reinstatement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.2

The Government will provide \$12.6 million over four years to the states and territories as a contribution towards the cost of delivering occasional care. Funding will be provided to help support non-Child Care Benefit approved child care service providers, particularly in rural and regional areas, and will benefit families who need emergency or late-notice child care.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Better Child Care and Early Learning*.

Child Care: Support for the Child Care System Programme — offsetting savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-0.9	-5.7	-4.9	-14.1	-13.8

The Government will redirect \$39.3 million over five years from the following programmes to the *Support for the Child Care System Programme*, which includes the *Community Support Programme* and *Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance*:

- \$14.7 million over four years from 2014-15 through a reduction in activities and other efficiencies from Child Care Early Learning Projects;
- \$12.0 million over two years from 2016-17 by streamlining programme delivery of the *Inclusion and Professional Support Programme*;
- \$3.7 million over three years from 2015-16 by suspending funding for professional development of staff in Budget Based Funded child care services;
- \$3.6 million over two years from 2014-15 by terminating the *Child Care Accessibility Fund*;
- \$3.1 million over four years from 2014-15 through a reduction in funding for the *Stronger Quality Element of the Child Care Services Support Programme*;
- \$1.2 million over two years from 2013-14 through efficiencies in the *National Career Development Programme*; and
- \$1.0 million in 2014-15 by restricting access to the *Recognition of Prior Learning Programme* to non-long day care child care staff in that year.

See also the related expense measures titled *Child Care: Community Support Programme – additional funding and amended eligibility criteria* and *Child Care: Jobs, Education and Training Child Care Fee Assistance – reforms* in the Education portfolio.

Education Grant Programmes — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-8.7	-13.2	-12.0	-11.0	-15.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$59.7 million over five years from 2013-14 by reducing uncommitted funding for various grant programmes across the Education portfolio.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Expanding Opportunity — a more effective Higher Education Participation Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-7.5	-12.5	-13.8	-17.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$51.3 million over four years by consolidating the Participation and Partnerships components of the current *Higher Education Participation and Partnerships Programme* into a single *Access and Participation Fund*.

Following the savings, the *Access and Participation Fund* will retain funding of \$582.7 million over the four years from 2014-15 to continue to support eligible higher education providers to improve access for people from low socio-economic backgrounds and improve their retention and completion rates. The *National Priorities Pool* will also be retained with funding of \$9.5 million per annum to fund projects that support access and success in higher education by people from low socio-economic backgrounds.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Expanding Opportunity — expansion of the demand driven system and sharing the cost fairly

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-162.3	-398.7	-509.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education</i>	-	-	1.8	13.1	41.6

The Government will expand the demand driven funding system for higher education courses from 1 January 2016 and seek to share costs of higher education more fairly. This is estimated to achieve savings of \$1.1 billion over three years from 2015-16.

Access to subsidies provided through the Commonwealth Grant Scheme (CGS) will be extended to higher education courses at the diploma, advanced diploma, associate degree and bachelor degree level where the higher education provider is registered with the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency and the course has been accredited.

The funding arrangements under the CGS will be simplified by replacing the current eight funding clusters with five funding tiers. The level of subsidy for courses at non-university providers and sub-bachelor and enabling courses will be lower than the subsidy for bachelor and postgraduate courses delivered by universities. Final arrangements will be determined following a review by the Minister for Education.

The current caps on the student contributions that higher education providers are able to charge will be removed from 1 January 2016 for students who accept an offer to commence a course from 14 May 2014. Higher education providers will be responsible for setting their own course fees. The subsidies provided under the CGS for these students will be reduced. Student contributions would remain capped until 31 December 2020 for students who commenced or deferred commencement of their course before 14 May 2014.

Eligible students will continue to be able to defer payment of their student contributions through the *Higher Education Loan Programme* (HELP). The current lifetime borrowing limits on FEE-HELP and VET-FEE HELP loans will be removed.

Expanding Opportunity — FEE-HELP and VET FEE-HELP loan fee — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	4.1	8.6	9.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education</i>	-	-	-130.6	-278.0	-314.5

The Government will remove the 25 per cent loan fee applied to FEE-HELP (*Higher Education Loan Programme*) loans for fee-paying undergraduate courses and 20 per cent loan fee applied to VET FEE-HELP loans for eligible full fee-paying students in higher level vocational education and training courses. Removing the FEE-HELP and VET FEE-HELP loan fees will improve equity in the provision of loans to students attending higher education providers as the majority of students who take out HELP loans are not required to pay loan fees. This measure is estimated to reduce revenue by \$723.2 million over three years and increase expenses by \$22.4 million over the same period.

Expanding Opportunity — Higher Education Indexation — revised arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Research Council	-	-	1.1	-1.3	-4.6
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-	-0.2	-0.5	-0.7
Department of Education	-	-	-25.3	-68.1	-104.4
Total — Expense	-	-	-24.3	-69.9	-109.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education</i>	-	-	-	-0.3	-0.9

The Government will revise the indexation arrangements for all programmes under the *Australian Research Council Act 2001* and the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*, excluding superannuation grants. From 1 January 2016 these programmes will be indexed by the Consumer Price Index, instead of the Higher Education Grants Index. This is estimated to achieve savings of \$202.8 million over three years from 2015-16.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Higher Education Superannuation Programme — resumption of payments to universities in NSW

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Education</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Total — Revenue</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will resume making payments under the *Higher Education Superannuation Programme* to eligible universities, subject to agreement with the NSW Government, to meet the Commonwealth's share of certain superannuation expenses. The resumption of payments for staff who are members of the State Superannuation Scheme, with State Authorities Superannuation Scheme and State Authorities Non-Contributory Superannuation accounts, will align the arrangements for NSW with other participating states.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication as the arrangement is subject to negotiation with the NSW Government.

Improving Educational Outcomes — reversal

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-5.7	-9.8	-7.1	-7.2	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$29.8 million over four years from 2013-14 by not proceeding with funding for the *Improving Educational Outcomes* measure published in the *Pre-Election Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013*.

The funding was identified by the former Government to fund its election commitments and will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Investing in Research Excellence — Antarctic Gateway Partnership

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Research Council	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$24.0 million over three years from 2014-15 to facilitate enhanced scientific collaboration between the University of Tasmania, the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation and the Australian Antarctic Division of the Department of the Environment.

The cost of this measure will be met through reprioritisation of the Australian Research Council's existing funding.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania*.

Investing in Research Excellence — Australian Institute of Tropical Health and Medicine

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Research Council	15.0	21.0	3.0	3.0	-

The Government will provide \$42.0 million over four years through the Australian Research Council's *Linkage Programme*, to support the expansion of the Australian Institute of Tropical Health and Medicine at James Cook University. This funding will support research and training in virology, disease and vector control, as well as the development of new treatments and vaccines for tropical diseases.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Protect and Streamline Health and Medical Research Funding*.

Investing in Research Excellence — digitisation of Indigenous cultural resources

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies	-	3.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.3 million in 2014-15 to continue the digitisation of a range of documentary and audio-visual materials 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.

Investing in Research Excellence — mid-career Future Fellowships scheme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Research Council	-	1.6	23.0	45.5	69.5

The Government will provide \$139.5 million over four years to continue the Future Fellowships scheme on an ongoing basis, but limited to Australian researchers only.

Up to 100 four-year fellowships will be offered to outstanding mid-career Australian researchers to conduct their research. In addition, each researcher’s administering institution will receive up to \$50,000 per annum for costs directly related to the future fellow’s research including infrastructure, equipment and travel.

The Future Fellowships scheme aims to attract and retain the best Australian mid-career researchers, who might otherwise choose to work overseas. The scheme supports research in areas of crucial national importance.

Investing in Research Excellence — National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	150.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$150.0 million in 2015-16 to continue the *National Collaborative Research Infrastructure Strategy*, which funds the operation and maintenance of critical national research infrastructure. This funding will allow the most critical existing research facilities to continue to deliver maximum benefits to the research community.

National School Chaplaincy Programme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	59.7	61.5	61.4	61.2

The Government will provide an additional \$245.3 million over five years (including \$1.5 million in 2018-19) to continue the *National School Chaplaincy Programme* until December 2018.

Under the programme, all Australian schools will be invited to apply for base grants of \$20,000 per annum (and up to a further \$4,000 per annum for schools in remote areas) to help engage school chaplains, with priority going to schools with higher levels of disadvantage. The refocused programme will introduce simplified reporting and administrative requirements to allow funding recipients to better focus on delivering chaplain services.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Real Solutions for all Australians* policy document.

Online Diagnostic Tools — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-0.7	-8.8	-9.5	-9.7	-9.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$38.4 million over five years from 2013-14 by ceasing the *Online Diagnostic Tools Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund other policy priorities.

Primary Connections and Science by Doing — maintain funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	1.0	1.0	2.0	1.0

The Government will provide \$5.0 million over four years to maintain the science education programmes, *Primary Connections: Linking science with literacy* and *Science by Doing*.

The *Primary Connections: Linking science with literacy* initiative aims to enhance primary school teachers' confidence and competence in teaching science. The *Science by Doing* initiative aims to improve science learning and provides support to school-based science teaching teams.

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This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Remote Indigenous Students Attending Non-Government Boarding Schools — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	6.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.8 million in 2014-15 to specific non-government schools for the additional costs associated with boarding and educating Indigenous students from remote communities.

The assistance will be provided to non-government schools with more than 50 Indigenous boarding students from remote or very remote areas, or where 50 per cent or more of their boarding students are Indigenous students from remote or very remote areas.

Students First — Early Language Learning Australia — trial

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	7.0	2.8	-	-

The Government will provide \$9.8 million over two years from 2014-15 to conduct a one year trial to determine the effectiveness of early exposure to languages other than English through online language learning programmes.

The trial will be undertaken in approximately 40 pre-schools providing an early childhood education programme.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Schools: Students First*.

Students First — Improving the take-up of foreign languages

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	1.2	0.6	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.8 million over two years from 2014-15 to the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority to develop Foundation Year to Year 10 curricula for foreign languages to revive the teaching of languages in Australian schools.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Schools: Students First*.

Students First — indexation of school funding from 2018

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-	-	54.1

The Government will provide an additional \$54.1 million in 2017-18 to maintain real Commonwealth school funding beyond the 2017 school year. From the 2018 school year onwards, total school funding will be indexed by the Consumer Price Index, with an allowance for changes in enrolments.

Teach for Australia — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	-	-0.2	-0.1	-0.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.4 million over three years from 2015-16 by reducing funding for the *Teach for Australia* programme. The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Upholding Quality — Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will engage an independent organisation to administer three National Higher Education Surveys: the University Experience Survey, the Graduate Outcomes Survey and the Employer Satisfaction Survey.

The Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching will comprise a suite of Government-endorsed surveys covering the student life cycle from commencement to employment. This will help to ensure adequate information is available for students to make informed decisions about their study options.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication as the administration of the surveys will be subject to a competitive tender process.

Upholding Quality — Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency — revised funding arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency	-	-3.4	-7.6	-10.0	-10.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$31.1 million over four years by reducing funding for the Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency (TEQSA).

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The Review of Higher Education Regulation recommended that the Government reduce TEQSA's functions to focus on its core activities as a regulator. TEQSA regulates and assures the quality of Australia's higher education sector.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 23 October 2013 issued by the Minister for Education.

Youth 20 Summit — hosting

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	0.7	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.9 million over two years from 2013-14 to support Australia's hosting of the Youth 20 Summit in Sydney in July 2014.

The Youth 20 Summit is the official Group of Twenty (G20) youth event held as part of Australia's hosting of the G20 in 2014.

EMPLOYMENT**Award Modernisation Process — industry grants — cessation**

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.0 million in 2013-14 by ceasing the *Award Modernisation Process – industry grants* measure announced in the *2013-14 Budget*.

Savings from this measure were included as a ‘decision taken but not yet announced’ in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Building Australia’s Future Workforce Evaluation — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-1.0	-1.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.0 million over two years from 2013-14 by ceasing funding for *Building Australia’s Future Workforce – evaluation* announced in the *2011-12 Budget*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Career Advice for Parents — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-1.4	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.8 million over four years by ceasing the *Career Advice for Parents Programme*.

Job Services Australia providers will continue to provide career advice to job seekers as part of their general service.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Connection Interviews and Job Seeker Workshops — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	-4.4	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-4.4	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$4.4 million in 2014-15 by ceasing funding for *Building Australia's Future Workforce – Connection Interviews and Job Seeker Workshops*, on 30 June 2014. Both programmes were scheduled to cease on 30 June 2015.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Ethical Clothing Australia — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-1.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.0 million by ceasing funding for Ethical Clothing Australia (ECA). Funding through ECA for compliance activities was directed to the Textiles, Clothing and Footwear Union of Australia.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Experience+ Career Advice — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-1.9	-2.0	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.9 million over two years from 1 July 2014 by ceasing funding for the *Experience+ Career Advice* initiative.

Employment assistance for mature age job seekers will remain available through Job Services Australia.

See also the related measure *Restart – boosting the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Fair Entitlements Guarantee — aligning redundancy payments to national employment standards

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-10.0	-22.4	-25.8	-29.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$87.7 million over four years by aligning redundancy payments under the Fair Entitlements Guarantee (FEG) scheme to the National Employment Standards (NES) contained in the *Fair Work Act 2009*. The FEG scheme covers certain unpaid employee entitlements in the event of insolvency or bankruptcy.

From 1 January 2015, the maximum payment for redundancy pay under the scheme will be 16 weeks in line with the maximum set by the NES. Employees seeking to claim an entitlement above the maximum set by the NES will maintain rights as creditors to recoup any outstanding entitlement through the winding up of their employer's business.

From 1 July 2014, indexation of the Maximum Weekly Wage used in calculating entitlements for claimants earning above the Maximum Weekly Wage of \$2,451, will be paused until 30 June 2018.

The changes will apply only to liquidations and bankruptcies that occur on or after the commencement date.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Ford Australia — assistance to workers — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-1.4	-1.4	-1.4	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$4.1 million over three years by not proceeding with the *Ford Australia – Assistance to Workers Programme*.

Support for workers affected by the decision of Ford Australia to end local manufacturing operations in October 2016 will now be provided through the *Automotive Industry Structural Adjustment Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Job Services Australia — restricting participation for Volunteer Job Seekers

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	-5.4	-11.9	-16.4	-18.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$52.5 million over four years by limiting the number of times that volunteer job seekers can access Jobs Services Australia (JSA) to one occasion. Job seekers may subsequently access JSA if they commence income support, move to a different income support payment, or were prevented from continuing their participation due to circumstances beyond their control, such as illness or caring responsibilities.

Volunteer job seekers are job seekers who are not subject to an activity test or participation requirements. Currently these job seekers are eligible to participate in JSA as often as they choose.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Local Employment Coordinator Flexible Funding Pool — reduction

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-0.8	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.8 million in 2013-14 by reducing funding for the Local Employment Coordinator Flexible Funding Pool.

See also the related measure *Work for the Dole Programme – phased approach*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Move 2 Work — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-0.1	-	-	-
Department of Employment	-	-1.1	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-1.2	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 million in 2014-15 by ceasing funding for the *Move 2 Work* initiative from 1 July 2014 and replacing it with a new programme, *Relocation Assistance to Take up a Job*, announced in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Restart — boosting the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	16.7	79.3	98.1	108.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Employment</i>	-	1.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$304.1 million over four years from 2014-15 to boost the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers, through a *Restart Programme*.

From 1 July 2014, a payment of up to \$10,000 will be available to employers who hire a mature age job seeker (including those on the Disability Support Pension) aged 50 years or over.

Payments will commence after the worker has been employed for at least six months and will be paid in the following instalments:

- \$3,000 after six months of employment;
- \$3,000 after 12 months of employment;
- \$2,000 after 18 months of employment; and
- \$2,000 after 24 months of employment.

The *Restart Programme* will build on the Government's election commitment to introduce a seniors employment incentive payment.

The \$220.7 million over four years previously announced at the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* will be redirected to the *Restart Programme*.

Stronger Compliance Arrangements for Job Seekers Who Refuse or Persistently Fail to Meet Requirements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.3	3.9	2.4	2.4	2.3
Department of Employment	..	0.1	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	-	-7.3	-8.1	-8.3	-8.2
Total — Expense	0.3	-3.3	-5.7	-5.9	-5.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$20.9 million over four years by applying a stronger deterrent to job seekers who refuse work without a good reason or persistently do not comply with their activity requirements.

From 15 September 2014, all job seekers who refuse any work without a good reason will lose their payment for eight weeks and will no longer be permitted to waive their penalty through participation in additional activities or due to financial hardship. The eight week non-payment period will also apply to all job seekers who incur penalties for persistent non-compliance. Job seekers will only be given one opportunity to waive the penalty for persistent non-compliance while in receipt of an income support payment.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Work for the Dole Programme — phased approach

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	0.5	14.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$14.9 million over two years to expand the *Work for the Dole Programme* and pilot Jobs Brokers in 18 of the 21 Priority Employment Areas.

From 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015, Work for the Dole will be mandatory in these locations for all job seekers aged between 18 and 30 years old who are in the Work Experience Phase or the Compulsory Activity Phase of Job Services Australia (JSA), unless they are working part-time. Job seekers will be referred to individual Work for the Dole placements through their JSA provider.

Under this measure, Jobs Brokers will identify and secure individual Work for the Dole Placements with Host Organisations (including not-for-profit and local, state or Commonwealth Government agencies) and connect the Host Organisations with the JSA provider. Each Jobs Broker will have access to an operating budget of \$0.3 million to service the selected areas.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

ENVIRONMENT

1,500 Gigalitre Cap on Water Buybacks — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will introduce a cap of 1,500 gigalitres on the volume of Commonwealth water buybacks in the Murray-Darling Basin. The cap will not apply to purchases from state governments and strategic purchases integrated with infrastructure rationalisation or reconfiguration made after the release of the Government's Water Recovery Strategy. It will also not apply to groundwater.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 27 February 2014 issued by the Prime Minister and the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for the Environment.

20 Million Trees — commencement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$50.0 million over four years to support the planting of native trees and associated understory species to re-establish green corridors and urban forests.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Antarctica — maintaining Australia's presence

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	9.4	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$68.0 million over four years (\$24.1 million in 2014-15, \$14.6 million in 2015-16, \$14.6 million in 2016-17 and \$14.7 million in 2017-18) to maintain functions that support Australia's presence in Antarctica, comprised of:

- \$9.4 million in 2014-15 to contribute to the maintenance of station operations and Antarctic science projects;

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- \$13.3 million over four years to continue to supplement the *Australian Antarctic Programme* for the increased costs of shipping, station and aviation fuel; and
- \$45.3 million over four years to continue the operation of the Australia Antarctica Airlink, a direct air connection between Hobart and Antarctica.

Provision for part of this funding has already been included in the forward estimates.

Asia-Pacific Rainforest Summit

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	0.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.8 million in 2014-15 to host an Asia-Pacific Rainforest Summit in conjunction with the World Parks Congress to be held in Sydney in November 2014. The Summit will focus on the key drivers of deforestation, the lessons from regional rainforest nations and practical tools to better measure and manage rainforest estates.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 30 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage.

Bureau of Meteorology — improved efficiency

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Bureau of Meteorology	-	-0.6	-4.0	-3.0	-2.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>	-	0.1	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$10.0 million over four years by improving efficiency within the Bureau of Meteorology. The measure includes capital funding of \$0.1 million in 2014-15 for the fit out of a consolidated supply and logistics warehouse.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Coastal River Recovery Initiatives — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$9.3 million over four years (\$3.5 million in 2014-15, \$3.3 million in 2015-16, \$2.4 million in 2016-17 and \$0.1 million in 2017-18) to improve the environmental health of targeted urban and peri-urban coastal waterways, including:

- \$3.3 million over three years to upgrade stormwater treatment for Tuggerah Lakes, including the removal of sediment and other organic matter and the replacement of gross pollutant traps;
- \$3.0 million over three years to improve the health of the Tamar River through catchment management activities that reduce sediment and pollutant loads entering the estuary;
- \$1.0 million over two years for the *Swan-Canning River Recovery Programme*, to support wildlife recovery, weed management and education and training programmes;
- \$1.0 million over two years for the *River Torrens Recovery Programme*, to support activities including riverbank stabilisation, water quality improvement, weed management and revegetation; and
- \$1.0 million over four years for the Yarra River, for the installation of floating litter traps and for school and community awareness programmes.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Growth Plan for the Central Coast*, and the press releases of 19 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for the Murray-Darling Basin and Shadow Parliamentary Secretary for the Environment, 28 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Education, Apprenticeships and Training, 4 September 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage, and 28 October 2013 issued by the Minister for the Environment.

Community Heritage and Icons Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	-

The Government will provide \$1.4 million over three years from 2014-15 to support historical and cultural groups across Australia in the conservation, development and interpretation of local cultural heritage. The programme will provide grants of up to \$10,000 to local historical and heritage groups (\$1.0 million in total), \$150,000 over three years to the Australian Heritage Council and \$240,000 over three years to the Federation of Australian Historical Societies.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 4 November 2013 issued by the Minister for the Environment.

Dandenong Ranges Wildlife Recovery, Weed Management and Fuel Reduction Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.0 million over three years from 2014-15 to support weed control and fuel load reduction in the Dandenong Ranges in Victoria. The programme will provide funding for community-based environmental projects, the management of weeds and the development, promotion and management of the Bullen Bullen Bush Tucker and Medicine Tours.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 30 August 2013.

Emissions Reduction Fund — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Clean Energy Regulator	-	75.5	299.8	354.5	416.9

The Government will provide \$2.55 billion to establish the *Emissions Reduction Fund* (the Fund) from 1 July 2014. The Fund will provide an incentive based approach to support abatement activities across the economy to contribute to Australia meeting its target of reducing emissions to 5 per cent below year 2000 levels by the year 2020.

Funding as committed at the 2013 election was provisioned for in the Contingency Reserve at the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*. The Clean Energy Regulator will be able to commit under contract the full level of funding from the commencement of the Fund. The fiscal balance and underlying cash impacts will be realised as emissions abatement is certified and paid for over the life of the contract.

The Clean Energy Regulator will conduct auctions to purchase, at the lowest cost, emissions reductions that are additional to normal business practice.

A mechanism to establish baselines and safeguard emissions reductions across the economy will be designed to support the integrity of the programme and will commence from 1 July 2015.

The cost of administering the Fund will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of the Environment and the Clean Energy Regulator.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 24 April 2014 issued by the Minister for the Environment.

Grants to Voluntary Environment, Sustainability and Heritage Organisations — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3	-1.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.3 million per annum by ceasing the *Grants to Voluntary Environment, Sustainability and Heritage Organisations Programme* from 30 June 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.8 million over four years (including \$0.1 million per annum in capital funding) from the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority. The Government will continue to provide \$108.0 million over four years to the Authority to manage the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Greater Western Sydney — Cumberland Conservation Corridor — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.5 million over three years from 2014-15 towards a Cumberland Conservation Corridor in Greater Western Sydney. The funding will be provided to third parties (including the NSW Environmental Trust and the Foundation for National Parks and Wildlife) for the acquisition of threatened land in the corridor. The land will be protected in perpetuity through conservation covenants or other mechanisms.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

An additional \$7.5 million in funding for the corridor will be provided through the expense measure titled *20 Million Trees – commencement* and the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* expense measure titled *Green Army – establishment* in the Environment Portfolio.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 8 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage.

Harnessing the potential of algal synthesis and biofuels — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-5.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.0 million in 2014-15 by not proceeding with the *Harnessing the Potential of Algal Synthesis and Biofuels* programme as the increased uptake of alternative fuels, including advanced biofuels, will be considered in the context of the 2014 Energy White Paper.

Funding was included in the Contingency Reserve in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* and has been removed.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Keep Australia Beautiful and Clean Up Australia — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.6 million over three years from 2014-15 to Keep Australia Beautiful and Clean Up Australia to assist the organisations to discourage littering and the dumping of waste materials in public places. Grants of \$100,000 per annum will be provided to each organisation.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Kimberley Cane Toad Clean Up — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.5 million over two years from 2014-15 to help mitigate the spread of cane toads in the Kimberley region of Western Australia. Grants will be provided for the development of effective tools that reduce the spread and impact of cane toads and for community engagement activities.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility — support

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	2.9	3.3	2.8	-

The Government will provide \$9.0 million over three years to support the continued operation of the National Climate Change Adaptation Research Facility (NCCARF) at Griffith University. Under a new funding agreement, NCCARF will be required to deliver a framework for understanding and managing coastal climate risks, including sea-level rise in the coastal zone. NCCARF will also continue to synthesise and communicate research and maintain national adaptation research coordination and capacity building in priority areas (including human health, ecosystems, and settlements and infrastructure).

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 24 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage.

National Environmental Science Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-4.6	-4.6	-6.3	-6.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$21.7 million over four years through the amalgamation of the *National Environmental Research Programme* and the *Australian Climate Change Science Programme* to form a new *National Environmental Science Programme*. The new programme will provide administrative efficiencies and greater cohesion between environmental and climate science research, and will have ongoing funding of \$25.5 million per annum.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Scheme — improved efficiency

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Clean Energy Regulator	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.0 million over four years through more efficient administration of the National Greenhouse and Energy Reporting Scheme.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Landcare Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Agriculture	-	-9.8	-5.0	-8.8	-37.1
Department of the Environment	-12.8	-32.3	-109.9	-125.1	-143.0
Total — Expense	-12.8	-42.2	-114.9	-133.9	-180.1

The Government will provide \$1.0 billion over four years (\$291.3 million in 2014-15, \$261.3 million in 2015-16, \$244.1 million in 2016-17 and \$231.4 million in 2017-18) to establish the *National Landcare Programme*. The new programme will merge *Caring for our Country* and *Landcare* to create a single *National Landcare Programme*. The new consolidated programme will deliver a simple, local and long term approach to national funding for the environment and will comprise a regional and a national component. The programme will be delivered by the Department of the Environment and the Department of Agriculture.

The Government will also achieve savings of \$483.8 million over five years, primarily through a reduction in uncommitted funding for future grant rounds. Savings will also be achieved through the termination of the *National Produce Monitoring System* on 30 June 2014 and the *Environmental Stewardship Programme* which will be terminated one year early on 30 June 2027.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Wildlife Corridors Plan — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-0.2	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.2 million from the *National Wildlife Corridors Plan*. The programme will terminate on 30 June 2014 as scheduled.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Office of Water Science research programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0	-2.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$10.0 million over five years from the *Office of Water Science research programme*, with the programme terminating on 30 June 2016.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Orangutan Reintroduction Project — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	0.2	0.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.3 million over two years to support the work of the Nyaru Menteng Orangutan Reintroduction Project in Indonesia. The funding will be provided to the Melbourne Zoo for provision through its international grants programme. The support will enable the release of approximately 60 orangutans back into the wild, as well as 12 months of follow-up monitoring.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 30 August 2013.

Port Arthur Penitentiary restoration — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	1.5	-	-	-
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	1.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.5 million in 2014-15 to support conservation works on the Port Arthur Historic Site's Penitentiary ruin in Tasmania. The funding will contribute to a structural solution to support the building and make it safe for visitors.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 4 November 2013 issued by the Minister for the Environment.

Reef 2050 Plan — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	11.1	10.3	9.1	9.4

The Government will develop the *Reef 2050 Plan*, including the establishment of a \$40.0 million Reef Trust – to provide a long term strategic approach to address key threats to the Great Barrier Reef. The Plan will be developed jointly with the Queensland Government.

The Trust will support projects that improve water quality and coastal habitat along the Great Barrier Reef, including \$2.0 million for the Reef and Rainforest Research Centre to cull crown-of-thorns starfish and \$5.0 million for a Dugong and Turtle Protection Plan. It will also allow for contributions from external sources, including private and philanthropic contributions, and funds from environmental 'offsets' under the environmental approval processes of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The cost of this measure will be met by redirecting funding from the *National Landcare Programme*.

See also the related expense measure titled *National Landcare Programme – establishment* in the Environment Portfolio.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 2 September 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage.

Smaller Government — National Water Commission — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	0.7	1.3	2.3	2.3
National Water Commission	-	-3.3	-8.1	-8.1	-8.2
Total — Expense	-	-2.5	-6.8	-5.8	-5.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$20.9 million over four years by closing the National Water Commission in December 2014.

The key statutory functions of the Commission will continue to be undertaken by existing government bodies.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Solar Towns — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	0.5	1.4	0.3	-

The Government will provide \$2.1 million over three years from 2014-15 to community groups, such as sports clubs, seniors' clubs and scout centres, to support the installation of solar photovoltaic and solar hot water systems and reduce energy costs in the electorates of Corangamite, Bendigo and McEwen in Victoria, Moreton and Bonner in Queensland and Lyons in Tasmania. Grants will also be available to community groups in the City of Monash in Victoria and the Port Adelaide/Wakefield/Makin area in South Australia.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Southern Ocean flights — monitoring of whaling and protest fleets

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government provided \$0.4 million in 2013-14 to monitor the activities of whaling and protest fleets in the Southern Ocean. Monitoring flights were undertaken over the whaling season from January to March 2014 and were planned, coordinated and staffed by the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service using an aircraft contracted by the Australian Antarctic Division.

The cost of this measure was met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme* and the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service.

Further information can be found in the press release of 13 January 2014 issued by the Minister for the Environment.

Sustainable Regional Development — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-0.5	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.5 million in 2014-15 from the *Sustainable Regional Development Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Programme — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-4.9	-10.9	-72.2	-30.0	-89.5
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of the Environment	-10.1	-9.2	-	-	-98.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$407.6 million over six years (including \$70.1 million in 2018-19) from the *Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Programme*. The Government will continue to provide \$4.5 billion over 10 years from 2014-15 for the programme.

The savings include a reduction in funding for water buybacks (from the removal of contingency funding) and reducing the scope of the Menindee Lakes project in NSW. The reduced funding for the Menindee Lakes project reflects the revised project scope agreed with the NSW Government. Reducing funding for water buybacks is consistent with the Government's policy to prioritise water recovery through infrastructure projects over water buybacks. The savings also include the termination of the National Water Market System Project.

The Government will provide additional departmental funding of \$29.2 million over seven years from 2017-18 (including \$9.3 million in 2018-19, \$3.5 million in 2019-20, \$1.0 million in 2020-21, \$1.0 million in 2021-22, \$0.9 million in 2022-23 and \$0.8 million in 2023-24) for ongoing project delivery not currently provided for.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Tasmanian Forests Agreement Implementation Package — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-1.0	-2.0	-1.0	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$4.0 million over three years from the *Tasmanian Forest Reserve Tourism* component of the *Tasmanian Forests Agreement Implementation Package*. Ceasing this component is consistent with the Government's policy not to support further reserves in Tasmania.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Water Resources Assessment and Research Grant Programme — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Environment	-	-	-	-	-0.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.2 million per annum from 2017-18 until 2021-22 by terminating the *Water Resources Assessment and Research Grant Programme* on 30 June 2017.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	0.3	0.1	0.2	-
Department of the Environment	-	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million over three years from 2014-15 for the implementation of a *Whale and Dolphin Protection Plan*. The programme will fund a *National Whale Stranding Action Plan*, a *National Dolphin Recovery Plan* and the development of a *National Whale Trail*.

The measure includes \$0.6 million over three years to be provided to the States and the Northern Territory for the purchase of equipment and training as part of the *National Whale Stranding Action Plan*.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the *National Landcare Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 23 August 2013 issued by the then Shadow Minister for Climate Action, Environment and Heritage.

FINANCE

Australian Electoral Commission — funding to conduct the Western Australian Senate Election

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Electoral Commission	23.2	-	-	-	-

The Government provided \$23.2 million in 2013-14 to allow the Australian Electoral Commission to conduct the Western Australian (WA) Senate election in April 2014 for six Senators. This election was required following the order to void the 2013 WA Senate election result issued by the Court of Disputed Returns on 20 February 2014.

Communications and Public Affairs Functions — targeted savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Various Agencies	-	-5.3	-10.5	-10.5	-10.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$43.3 million over four years by moving to more efficient practices for public affairs and internal communications within Australian Government agencies. Consistent with the Government's election commitment that there will be no further cuts to Defence spending, savings from the Department of Defence of \$6.4 million will be reinvested in Defence capability.

This will contribute to streamlining the public sector and reducing staffing.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Improving small business access to Commonwealth contracts

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	-	-	0.3	0.1	0.1

The Government will provide \$2.8 million (including \$0.5 million capital funding) over four years to assist small businesses to access the Commonwealth procurement market. The Department of Finance will work with small businesses and their representatives to develop procurement policy, guidance material, training and education programmes that make it easier for small business to do business with government.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

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Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Small Business*.

Infrastructure Growth Package — Asset Recycling Fund

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	*	*	*	*	*
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	*	*	*	*	*

The Government will establish the *Asset Recycling Fund* (ARF) on 1 July 2014 as a dedicated vehicle to provide funding and financial incentives to States, Territories and other bodies to invest in new productivity enhancing infrastructure, including through the *Asset Recycling Initiative*.

The ARF will start from 1 July 2014 with an initial size of approximately \$5.9 billion, with contributions from:

- uncommitted funds currently in the *Building Australia Fund* (BAF) (around \$2.4 billion); and
- uncommitted funds currently in the *Education Investment Fund* (EIF) (around \$3.5 billion).

Subsequent contributions to the ARF will come from the proceeds of the sale of Medibank Private and any future privatisations.

The capital and net earnings of the ARF will be available from 1 July 2014 with payments to States and Territories to be made through the *COAG Reform Fund* under National Partnership Agreements.

The investments of the ARF will be managed by the Future Fund Board of Guardians in accordance with an Investment Mandate to be issued by the Treasurer and the Minister for Finance.

The BAF and the EIF will cease operation on 31 December 2014. The Government will meet commitments for payments relating to projects previously approved for funding from these Funds.

Establishment of the ARF will be subject to the passage of legislation through the Parliament.

See also the related expense measures titled *Smaller Government – Medibank Private Limited – sale*, *Infrastructure Growth Package – Asset Recycling Initiative – establishment*, *Infrastructure Growth Package – addition to the Infrastructure Investment Programme for new investments* and *Infrastructure Growth Package – Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan – Road Funding*.

Medical Research Future Fund – establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will establish the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) on 1 January 2015 to provide additional funding for medical research, including through payments to the National Health and Medical Research Council.

The MRFF will receive \$1 billion from uncommitted funds in the Health and Hospitals Fund (HHF). Amounts equal to the estimated value of health savings measures published in the 2014-15 Budget will be reinvested in the Fund until it reaches a target capital level of \$20 billion from 2014-15 to 2019-20.

Net interest earnings on MRFF capital will be available for drawdown the following financial year. The capital of the Fund will be preserved in perpetuity.

Investments in the MRFF will be managed by the Future Fund Board of Guardians in accordance with an Investment Mandate issued by the Treasurer and the Minister for Finance.

The establishment of the MRFF will be subject to the passage of health savings legislation.

The HHF will cease operation on 31 December 2014. Committed HHF funds, at 31 December 2014, will be transferred to consolidated revenue, from which the remaining commitments of the HHF will be met.

See also the related measure titled *Medical Research Future Fund – investments* in the Health portfolio.

Parliamentary service travel entitlements — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-0.1	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-1.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.0 million over five years by reducing Life Gold Pass, severance and post retirement travel entitlements for parliamentarians and certain office holders when they leave Parliament. As part of these reforms, spouses will no longer be eligible for travel and limits will be placed on eligibility and the class and number of trips per annum.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Recruitment of Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984 employees

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.5 million over four years by removing the entitlements for Senators and Members to use private employment agencies and print advertisements when recruiting for personal and electorate employees under the *Members of Parliament (Staff) Act 1984*. Parliamentarians will continue to be able to advertise for staff through print media if they choose to access their printing and communications entitlement.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Smaller Government — Contestability Framework

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will develop and implement a Contestability Framework to assess whether a government function should be open to competition and the appropriate means for this to occur. A contestable approach can come from outside Government or from other entities within the Government.

The Department of Finance will establish a three year programme of work to review government functions against the Contestability Framework, in consultation with relevant agencies. These reviews will offer opportunities for identified functions to be delivered through alternative and contestable approaches.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Finance and affected agencies.

Smaller Government — Medibank Private Limited — sale

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	15.4	75.5	-	-	-
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	-	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>

The Government will provide \$90.9 million over two years to support the sale of Medibank Private Limited (Medibank) through an initial public offering in the 2014-15 financial year, subject to market conditions. The funding will support the costs of external expert advisers, internal staff and overheads.

The proceeds from the sale of Medibank and the forgone dividends are classified as commercial-in-confidence and are not for publication. These proceeds will be invested in nationally significant productivity enhancing economic infrastructure.

See also the related expense measure titled *Infrastructure Growth Package – Asset Recycling Fund*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 26 March 2014 issued by the Minister for Finance.

Smaller Government — scoping studies for four operations of government

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	11.7	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$11.7 million in 2014-15 for scoping studies into future ownership options for Australian Hearing, Defence Housing Australia Ltd, the Royal Australian Mint and the registry function of the Australian Securities and Investments Commission.

The studies will assess the likely sale environment for each business operation and seek to ascertain the optimal method and timing of sale.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

Australia Network — Termination of the ABC Contract

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-10.6	-21.6	-22.1	-22.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$196.8 million over nine years by terminating the Australia Network contract with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australia's Diplomatic Engagement in Afghanistan — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	49.4	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>	-	2.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$51.5 million (including \$2.0 million in capital funding) to continue Australia's diplomatic engagement in Afghanistan. The funding will provide for embassy operating costs and security.

Baghdad Embassy — relocation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	27.4	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>	-	8.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$35.6 million (including \$8.2 million in capital funding) in 2014-15 to continue operations of the Australian embassy in Baghdad. The embassy will be co-located with the United Kingdom embassy to Iraq from 1 January 2015.

International Engagement to Prevent and Disrupt Maritime People Smuggling

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	3.2	3.2	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.4 million over two years to enable the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to continue initiatives to prevent people smuggling. This measure provides for a dedicated position in Sri Lanka, the continuation of the Ambassador for People Smuggling Issues and annual Bali Process meetings at Ministerial and senior official levels.

International Tourism — Australia Week in China

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Trade Commission	-	0.2	1.8	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million over two years to hold an Australia Week in China (AWIC) promotional event in 2016. The AWIC will help to build Australia's reputation in China as a world leading tourism destination and an important trade and investment partner.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Tourism*.

International Tourism — China Approved Destination Status Scheme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Trade Commission	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$10.1 million over four years to continue the Approved Destination Status (ADS) tourism arrangement between China and Australia. The ADS supports Chinese tourism in Australia by providing necessary government-to-government assurances for organised tour arrangements; performance and quality control mechanisms; and supports Tourism Australia to actively promote Australia as a tourism destination in China.

The cost of this measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Tourism Industry Regional Development Fund*.

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International Tourism — Demand Driver Infrastructure

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	11.0	10.7	10.7	10.7
Australian Trade Commission	-	-11.0	-10.7	-10.7	-10.7
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$43.1 million over four years to implement a new Tourism Demand Driver Infrastructure grants programme. The new programme will provide funding to the States and Territories for infrastructure projects that encourage international and domestic tourism.

The cost of this measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Tourism Industry Regional Development Fund* and the *T-QUAL Accreditation* scheme.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Tourism*.

Official Development Assistance — Global Green Growth Institute

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide a one-off payment of \$5 million in 2014-15 for specific projects of the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI) that will be identified by Australia. The Government will also ratify the agreement on the establishment of the GGGI Fund and formalise Australia's membership.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

This measure forms part of the Government's *Official Development Assistance Programme*.

Official Development Assistance — reprioritised funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
Attorney-General's Department	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.1
Australian Federal Police	-10.0	-1.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-601.0	-599.1	-1,221.2	-1,687.9	-3,519.6
Total — Expense	-611.6	-601.3	-1,222.5	-1,689.2	-3,520.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$7.6 billion over five years by maintaining official development assistance (ODA) at its nominal 2013-14 level of \$5.0 billion in each of 2014-15 and 2015-16. From 2016-17 ODA will grow in line with the Consumer Price Index. The savings include \$2.0 billion in 2017-18 by removing the provision previously set aside for ODA spending.

As part of these savings, the Government has decided to reverse previous decisions to join the African Development Bank Group and the International Fund for Agricultural Development, and has introduced a cap on departmental costs for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to administer ODA equivalent to 5 per cent of DFAT's total ODA budget.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Further information can be found in the press release of 18 January 2014 issued by the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Official Development Assistance — seventeenth replenishment of the World Bank's International Development Association

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$748.8 million over nine years from 2013-14 as part of the seventeenth replenishment of the World Bank's International Development Association (IDA). IDA is the concessional lending arm of the World Bank which aims to reduce poverty in the world's least developed countries by providing interest free credits and grants for programmes that boost economic growth, reduce inequalities and improve people's living conditions.

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As part of this replenishment, the Government will provide \$582.8 million to maintain Australia's share of international contributions to IDA, of which \$483.7 million will comprise a loan component. The provision of loans from the Budget and their repayment affect only the composition of Government assets and as such this loan component has no impact on the fiscal balance.

Also as part of this replenishment, the Government will provide \$166.0 million in 2013-14 to finance Australia's share of contributions to the Heavily Indebted Poor Countries Initiative, the Multilateral Debt Relief Initiative, arrears clearance provided by the World Bank and compensation to the IDA for grants forgone.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the 2013-14 Budget.

This measure forms part of the Government's *Official Development Assistance Programme*.

Smaller Government — Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade — realising efficiencies

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-109.7	-101.7	-94.9	-90.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$397.2 million over four years by reducing the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's (DFAT's) departmental expenditure to realise the efficiencies gained through merging the former Australian Agency for International Development into DFAT and the identification of more efficient models of Official Development Assistance administration including rationalisation of corporate functions.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Transferring T-QUAL Accreditation to industry

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	0.6	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.6 million to transfer the national tourism accreditation scheme, also known as *T-QUAL Accreditation*, to industry. This funding will assist an industry provider assume responsibility for *T-QUAL Accreditation*.

It is expected that the scheme will be funded entirely by industry contributions once the Government's contribution has been exhausted, consistent with both the Government's and industry's long term expectations for the scheme.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Tourism*.

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2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games — operational support

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Attorney-General's Department	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.5 million over two years from 2014-15 to support coordinated planning by key agencies in readiness for the operational phase of preparations for the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Health, the Attorney-General's Department and the Department of Immigration and Border Protection.

See also the related expense measure titled *Australian Government Commonwealth Games Funding Commitment* in the Health Portfolio.

Aligning Australia and New Zealand Therapeutic Arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	nfp	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health</i>	-	nfp	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding in 2014-15 to continue the harmonisation and alignment of schemes for the regulation of therapeutic products between Australia and New Zealand.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication due to ongoing negotiations with the New Zealand Government.

Australian Government Commonwealth Games Funding Commitment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	156.0	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	156.0	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$156.0 million to the Queensland Government in 2013-14 as the Australian Government's contribution to permanent infrastructure for the 2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games.

See also related expense measure *2018 Gold Coast Commonwealth Games – Operational Support* in the Health Portfolio.

Australian Sports Commission — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	3.6	0.9	0.9	0.9
Australian Sports Commission	-	-0.1	-9.7	-9.7	-9.7
Total — Expense	-	3.5	-8.8	-8.7	-8.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$22.8 million over four years by moving some functions from the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) to the Department of Health and streamlining the ASC's dealings with National Sporting Organisations.

This measure will allow the ASC to focus on its core business of sports participation and high performance sport.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Boosting Dementia Research

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
National Health and Medical Research Council	-	32.0	31.0	31.0	40.0
Australian Research Council	-	8.0	9.0	9.0	-
Total — Expense	-	40.0	40.0	40.0	40.0

The Government will provide \$200.0 million over five years (including \$40.0 million in 2018-19) to boost research to improve the treatment of dementia in Australia. Medical scientists and researchers will be supported by increasing the number of available research grants, scholarships and fellowships for dementia related research. Additional assistance will be provided to the Clem Jones Centre for Ageing Dementia Research which focuses on the prevention and treatment of dementia. Funding will help establish a National Institute for Dementia Research to identify and coordinate research priorities and translate existing dementia research into policy and practice.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Boost Dementia Research*.

Charles Sturt University — dental and oral health clinic developments in New South Wales — reversal

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-4.6	-7.1	-3.6	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$15.2 million over three years by not proceeding with the *Charles Sturt University – dental and oral health clinic developments in New South Wales* measure which was announced in the *2013 Economic Statement*.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Commonwealth Public Hospitals — change to funding arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-217.3	-260.5	-133.4	-1,162.8
Total — Expense	-	-217.3	-260.5	-133.4	-1,162.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.8 billion over four years from 2014-15 by ceasing the funding guarantees under the *National Health Reform Agreement 2011*, and revising Commonwealth Public Hospital funding arrangements from 1 July 2017. From 2017-18, the Commonwealth will index its contribution to hospitals funding by a combination of the Consumer Price Index and population growth.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Countering Threats from Doping in Sport

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million in 2014-15 to the Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority (ASADA) to align Australia's anti-doping arrangements with the revised World Anti-Doping Code that takes effect on 1 January 2015 under the UNESCO International Convention Against Doping in Sport. Funding will be used to enhance current detection and testing capabilities as well as intelligence gathering processes.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of ASADA.

Dental Flexible Grants Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-50.3	-55.1	-61.2	-62.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$229.0 million over four years by ceasing the *Dental Flexible Grants Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Diagnostic Imaging Quality Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-1.0	-3.0	-3.4	-3.5	-3.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$14.4 million over five years by ceasing the *Diagnostic Imaging Quality Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

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Discretionary Grant Programmes — cessation of certain programmes

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-3.7	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$4.4 million over five years by not proceeding with funding for the following four grant programmes:

- *Australian Community Food Safety Campaign;*
- *eHealth Summit and Implementation of Clinical Trial Functionality into Jurisdictional eHealth Systems;*
- *Flat Out Incorporated Outreach Support Services for Criminalised Women; and*
- *Mental Health Better Access to Education and Training.*

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Doubling the Practice Incentives Programme Teaching Payment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	19.9	59.3	75.1	82.6
Department of Human Services	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.3
Total — Expense	0.2	20.5	59.5	75.4	82.9

The Government will provide \$238.4 million over five years to double the *Practice Incentives Programme (PIP) Teaching Payment* for general practices who provide teaching opportunities to medical students. The PIP Teaching Payment will increase from \$100 to \$200 for each three hour session, to encourage general practices to provide teaching sessions to undergraduate and graduate medical students.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment and supports the 2014-15 Budget measure titled *Rural and Regional General Practice Teaching Infrastructure Grants* to provide enhanced teaching opportunities through general practices in rural and regional settings.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Support Australia's Health System*.

Ensuring the Supply of Antivenoms, Q fever vaccine and Pandemic Influenza vaccines

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide funding over four years for the supply of uniquely Australian antivenoms, Q fever vaccine and pandemic influenza vaccines. The Government will approach the market to ensure continued supply of these items in a cost effective manner, which are critical to Australia's health protection.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication due to commercial sensitivity.

See also the related expense measure titled *Reform of the Operation and Management of the National Medical Stockpile* in the Health Portfolio.

Establishment of Primary Health Networks

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will refocus primary care funding by replacing Medicare Locals with Primary Health Networks from 1 July 2015. The Primary Health Networks will establish Clinical Councils, with a significant GP presence, and local Consumer Advisory Committees that are aligned to Local Hospital Networks, to ensure primary health care and acute care sectors work together to improve patient care.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Health.

Full implementation of National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	3.8	7.4	29.0	43.9
Department of the Treasury	-	-	0.2	4.7	6.4
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	..	0.2	0.3
Department of Human Services	-	-	0.1
Total — Expense	-	3.8	7.6	34.0	50.5

The Government will provide an additional \$95.9 million over four years to accelerate the full implementation of the *National Bowel Cancer Screening Programme*. This will provide access for all Australians aged 50 to 74 years to biennial screening by 2019-20, consistent with National Health and Medical Research Council Guidelines.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

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Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Support Australia's Health System*.

General Practice Rural Incentives Programme — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	35.0	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	0.4	..	-	-	-
Total — Expense	0.4	35.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$35.4 million over two years from 2013-14 to meet higher than anticipated demand for the *General Practice Rural Incentives Programme*. This programme provides relocation and retention incentive payments to encourage medical practitioners to work in underserviced rural, regional and remote areas.

Good Sports Programme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9

The Government will provide \$19.0 million over four years to the Australian Drug Foundation to continue the *Good Sports Programme*, which supports local sporting clubs to build a culture of responsible drinking at the grassroots level.

headspace Programme — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	4.5	1.4	1.9	7.2

The Government will provide an additional \$14.9 million over four years to establish ten new *headspace* sites and conduct a two year evaluation of the *headspace Programme*.

The *headspace Programme* provides youth-friendly community-based services for young people aged 12 to 25 years who have, or are at risk of, mental illness.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Efficient Mental Health Research and Services*.

Health Flexible Funds — pausing indexation and achieving efficiencies

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-46.4	-69.7	-81.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$197.1 million over three years from 2015-16 from a number of Health portfolio Flexible Funds by pausing indexation of the funds for three years from 2015-16 and reducing uncommitted funds.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Improving local access to health care on Phillip Island

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	2.5	-	-	-
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	2.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.5 million in 2014-15 to improve local access to health care by upgrading the health infrastructure at Phillip Island, Victoria.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Indigenous teenage sexual and reproductive health and young parent support — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	25.5	-	-	-
Department of Health	-	0.4	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	25.9	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$25.9 million in 2014-15 to continue to support programmes which address teenage sexual and reproductive health and young parent support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Funding will be provided to the States and Territories for health promotion and education and to provide clinical services including antenatal care for young mothers, prevention and early intervention strategies and testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections.

This funding will continue activities currently funded under the *National Partnership Agreement on Indigenous Early Childhood Development* which ceases on 30 June 2014.

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Investing in the nursing and allied health workforce

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	3.4	4.9	5.0	-

The Government will provide \$13.4 million over three years from 2014-15 to fund 500 additional nursing and allied health scholarships. Scholarships with a value of up to \$30,000 each will target workforce shortages in rural and remote areas.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Support Australia's Health System*.

Market testing of the payment of health services by commercial payment service providers

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	0.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.5 million in 2014-15 to the Department of Health to develop a proposal in consultation with the Department of Human Services to market test the delivery of a commercially integrated health payment system. Expressions of Interest will be sought from commercial providers to gauge interest in the proposal and to identify potential alternative approaches to the delivery of health payments.

Medical Research Future Fund — investments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	19.9	77.0	179.3

The Government will provide \$276.2 million over three years from 1 July 2015 in net earnings from the Medical Research Future Fund (MRFF) to fund critical medical research in the medium to long term. The MRFF will provide a sustained funding stream for medical research, with payments from the MRFF expected to reach around \$1.0 billion per year from 2022-23.

See also the related measure titled *Medical Research Future Fund – establishment* in the Finance Portfolio.

Medicare Benefits Schedule — comprehensive eye examinations

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	..	0.6	..	0.2	..
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.5	1.3	0.9	0.7
Department of Health	-	-8.5	-12.6	9.5	-2.2
Total — Expense	..	-7.4	-11.3	10.6	-1.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$9.6 million over five years by extending the period for Medicare rebateable comprehensive eye examinations from two years to three years for asymptomatic people aged under 65 years and reducing the period from two years to one year for asymptomatic patients aged 65 years and over.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Medicare Benefits Schedule — introducing patient contributions for general practitioner, pathology and diagnostic imaging services

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.2	7.4	34.2	28.6	26.0
Department of Health	-	1.4	-1,164.4	-1,181.6	-1,226.8
Total — Expense	0.2	8.8	-1,130.2	-1,153.0	-1,200.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	5.4	2.4	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.5 billion over five years by reducing Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) rebates from 1 July 2015 by \$5 for standard general practitioner consultations and out-of-hospital pathology and diagnostic imaging services and allowing the providers of these services to collect a patient contribution of \$7 per service.

For patients with concession cards and children under 16 years of age the MBS rebate will only be reduced for the first 10 services in each year, after which it will return to current benefit levels. A new Low Gap Incentive will replace bulk billing incentives for providers of these services. The Low Gap Incentive will be paid to providers where they provide services to patients with concession cards or children under 16 years of age and only charge the \$7 patient contribution - for the first 10 services in a year, or where they charge no patient contribution - for additional services in that year.

The measure will also remove the restriction on State and Territory Governments from charging patients presenting to hospital emergency departments for general practitioner like attendances.

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The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Medicare Benefits Schedule — new and amended listings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	1.1	-0.7	-0.3	1.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.8	1.5	1.7	2.2
Department of Human Services	-
Total — Expense	-	1.9	0.8	1.4	3.3

The Government will amend the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) and Veterans' Benefits for new and amended items listed since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*, at a net cost of \$7.4 million over four years.

The amendments to the MBS include:

- streamlining arrangements for pelvic ultrasound and breast mastectomy services and improving the safety and quality of breast mastectomies by ensuring they are performed in recognised hospital facilities;
- extending the listing of existing items associated with the insertion, replacement or removal of a cardiac resynchronisation therapy device capable of defibrillation to patients with mild chronic heart failure;
- a new item for the injection of botulinum toxin to treat urinary incontinence; and
- restrictions on the ability of doctors to claim items associated with administering autologous blood injections.

Further information will be available in the summary of changes included in the MBS issued by the Department of Health when the amendments take effect.

Medicare Benefits Schedule — reduced optometry rebates and removal of charging cap

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	0.1	-	-	-
Department of Health	-	-10.9	-24.8	-26.3	-27.8
Total — Expense	-	-10.8	-24.8	-26.3	-27.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$89.6 million over four years by reducing the Medicare Benefits Schedule rebate for all optometry services from 85 per cent to 80 per cent commencing from 1 January 2015. This measure will also remove the charging cap that currently applies to optometrists accessing the Medicare Benefits Schedule, enabling them, in the future, to set their own fees in a similar manner to other health providers.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Medicare Benefits Schedule — revised capital sensitivity provisions for diagnostic imaging equipment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	0.6	-	-	-
Department of Health	-	0.2	0.5	0.5	0.5
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-
Total — Expense	-	0.8	0.5	0.5	0.5

The Government will provide \$2.3 million over four years to introduce changes to the capital sensitivity provisions for diagnostic imaging equipment to encourage providers to upgrade or replace aged equipment. The full Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) fee will be paid for services performed on newer or upgraded diagnostic imaging equipment, with the MBS fee reducing by 50 per cent for services performed on older equipment.

From 1 January 2015, capital sensitivity provisions will be extended to all angiography services and the period for which the full MBS fee applies for computed tomography and Magnetic Resonance Imaging services will be extended.

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Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	22.4	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	1.0	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	23.4	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$23.4 million in 2014-15 to maintain existing service levels for the *Mental Health Nurse Incentive Programme* which provides coordinated support for people with severe and persistent mental illness. This funding will enable mental health nurses, who are engaged by community based general practices, private psychiatric practices and other similar organisations, to continue to provide clinically relevant services to approximately 60,000 patients.

Mersey Community Hospital — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	13.6	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$13.6 million in 2014-15 to the Mersey Community Hospital to extend the existing Heads of Agreement for one year until 1 July 2015, and for the costs of upgrading essential fire safety systems.

This funding, which is in addition to base funding of \$62.7 million in 2014-15 already included in the forward estimates, will enable the delivery of current levels of emergency, medical, surgical, obstetric and outpatient services, and will enhance patient, visitor, and staff safety at the hospital.

National Centre of Excellence in Youth Mental Health — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	4.2	4.3	4.6	5.0

The Government will provide \$18.0 million over four years to the Orygen Youth Health Research Centre to establish and operate a National Centre for Excellence in Youth Mental Health. This measure will improve the options for treatment and support available to young people affected by mental illness and their carers.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Efficient Mental Health Research and Services*.

National Partnership Agreement for adult public dental services — deferral

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-0.5	-0.2	-0.1	-0.1
Department of the Treasury	-	-200.0	-95.0	-95.0	-
Total — Expense	-	-200.5	-95.2	-95.1	-0.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$390.0 million over four years from 2014-15 by deferring the commencement of the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2012-13* measure *Dental health reform – National Partnership Agreement for adult public dental services* from 2014-15 to 2015-16.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-99.5	-99.5	-2.0
Total — Expense	-	-	-99.5	-99.5	-2.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$201.0 million over three years from 2015-16 by ceasing reward funding to States and Territories under the *National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services*.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-53.5	-53.5	-130.4	-130.5
Total — Expense	-	-53.5	-53.5	-130.4	-130.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$367.9 million over four years by ceasing the *National Partnership Agreement on Preventive Health*.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

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National Tobacco Campaign — a new and lower cost media campaign

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	1.5	-	-	-	-
Australian National Preventive Health Agency	-4.4	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-2.9	-	-	-	-

The Government will save \$2.9 million in 2013-14 by ceasing the next phase of the Australian National Preventive Health Agency's mainstream National Tobacco Campaign and the Department of Health developing a new lower cost online and social media campaign to support smoking cessation activities.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Northern Territory Medical Programme — consolidation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	2.2	2.2	2.3	2.3
Department of the Treasury	-	-2.3	-2.3	-2.4	-2.4
Total — Expense	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.4 million over four years from administrative efficiencies resulting from the consolidation of the *Northern Territory Medical Programme* with the *Indigenous Transition Pathway* and the *Northern Territory Remote Clinical School Initiative*.

These programmes contribute to building a sustainable Northern Territory health workforce with medical and culturally appropriate skills to work in rural and remote health in the Northern Territory.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Partners in Recovery — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-25.3	-28.5	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$53.8 million by deferring the establishment of the remaining 13 Partners in Recovery organisations for two years from 2013-14. The existing 48 organisations will continue to provide people who have a severe and persistent mental illness and complex support needs with integrated support that coordinates clinical, housing, education, employment, income and disability services. This deferral will enable the effectiveness of the existing sites and their interaction with the *National Disability Insurance Scheme* to be assessed.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Pausing indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule fees and the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate thresholds

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	..	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-10.2	-16.0	-16.8	-23.5
Department of Health	-	-131.5	-378.5	-480.1	-597.3
Total — Expense	..	-141.6	-394.5	-496.9	-620.8
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-	7.0	14.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.7 billion over five years by pausing the indexation of some Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) fees for two years from 1 July 2014 and the income thresholds for the Medicare Levy Surcharge and Private Health Insurance Rebate for three years from 1 July 2015. General practice MBS fees will be excluded. MBS fees which are not currently indexed, such as pathology and diagnostic imaging services, will not be affected.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

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Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	118.8	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	20.8	-	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.1	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	139.6	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	1.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$140.6 million in 2014-15 for the continued operation of the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record (PCEHR) system while the Government finalises its response to the review of the PCEHR.

This measure supports the Government's commitment for a shared electronic health record for patients.

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — increase in co-payments and safety net thresholds

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	..	-0.9	-1.3	-1.8
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-1.9	-4.4	-4.2	-4.2
Department of Health	-	-143.3	-301.3	-361.0	-442.6
Total — Expense	0.1	-145.2	-306.7	-366.5	-448.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.3 billion over four years from 1 January 2015 by increasing the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS) co-payments and safety net thresholds.

Co-payments will increase for general patients by \$5.00 (from \$37.70 to \$42.70) and for concessional patients by \$0.80 (from \$6.10 to \$6.90) in 2015.

PBS safety net thresholds will increase each year for four years from 1 January 2015, with general safety net thresholds to increase by 10 per cent each year and concessional safety nets to increase by the cost of two prescriptions each year.

These increases are in addition to the existing annual indexation of co-payments and safety net thresholds in line with the Consumer Price Index.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — medication charts for public and private hospitals

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	4.6	3.3	1.3	0.6
Department of Health	-	4.3	1.4	0.4	0.4
Total — Expense	0.1	9.0	4.7	1.7	1.0
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health	-	0.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$16.5 million over five years to reduce red tape for medical practitioners by enabling paperless claiming for Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme medicines dispensed from medication charts in public and private hospitals.

This measure will also increase the safety of patients by reducing the risk of dispensing errors during the transcription of data from medication charts.

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new and amended listings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	6.2	69.2	82.9	94.7	107.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	0.1	2.2	2.4	2.7	3.0
Department of Human Services	0.6	1.8	1.4	1.9	2.5
Total — Expense	6.9	73.2	86.8	99.3	112.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Health	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>

The Government will provide \$378.7 million over five years for a number of new and amended listings on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

New and amended listings since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* include:

- Nesina Met® (alogliptin and metformin) for the treatment of diabetes from 1 February 2014;
- Trajenta Duo® (linagliptin with metformin) and Kombiglyze® (saxagliptin with metformin) for the treatment of diabetes from 1 March 2014;
- Votrient® (pazopanib) for the treatment of soft tissue sarcoma from 1 March 2014;
- Actemera® (tocilizumab) for the treatment of juvenile idiopathic arthritis from 1 April 2014;

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- Tobi®Podhaler® (tobramycin) for the treatment of bacterial lung infections in patients with cystic fibrosis from 1 April 2014;
- Clobex® (clobetasol) and Daivobet® (betamethasone calcipotriol) for the treatment of scalp psoriasis from 1 April 2014;
- Stribild® (tenofovir) for the treatment of HIV from 1 May 2014;
- Afinitor® (everolimus) for the treatment of advanced breast cancer from 1 June 2014;
- Ferinject® (ferric carboxymaltose) for the treatment of iron deficiency from 1 June 2014;
- Botox® (botulinum toxin) for the treatment of urinary incontinence from 1 November 2014.

The costs of some of these medicines are reduced by the revenue from pricing agreements negotiated between the Government and the pharmaceutical manufacturers. Details of this revenue is not for publication due to commercial sensitivity.

Further information can be found in the press releases of 27 February 2014, 18 March 2014 and 24 April 2014 issued by the Minister for Health.

Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — price amendments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	0.4	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2
Department of the Treasury	0.1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Department of Veterans' Affairs	..	0.1	..	..	..
Total — Expense	0.5	2.0	1.8	1.9	1.9

The Government will provide \$8.1 million over five years for price amendments for certain medicines currently listed on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and the Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme.

Price amendments since the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* include:

- Rabeprazole for the treatment of gastric reflux;
- Simvastatin for the treatment of high cholesterol;
- Methylprednisolone for the treatment of arthritis pain and inflammation; and
- Pindolol for the treatment of high blood pressure.

Further information can be found in the press release of 18 March 2014 issued by the Minister for Health.

Rebuilding general practice education and training to deliver more GPs

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	120.3	223.5	233.3	252.0
General Practice Education and Training Limited	-	-136.7	-264.5	-269.2	-274.1
Total — Expense	-	-16.4	-40.9	-35.9	-22.1

The Government will support training for up to 300 extra General Practitioners (GPs) a year by boosting GP training places from 1200 to 1500 places in 2015. This will be achieved by increasing the number of fully funded Commonwealth GP training places under the Australian General Practice Training Programme (AGPT), reducing AGPT funding for training registrars employed by State Governments and introducing new training places co-funded by GP practices.

These measures along with administrative efficiencies achieved by abolishing General Practice Education and Training Limited and consolidating its functions into the Department of Health, and ceasing the Prevocational General Practice Placements Scheme will achieve net savings of \$115.4 million over four years.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Reform of the Operation and Management of the National Medical Stockpile

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	1.5	5.1	4.6	4.2

The Government will provide \$15.4 million over four years to implement operational and management reforms to the National Medical Stockpile (the Stockpile) aimed at reducing waste, decreasing risk, increasing the surety of supply, and strengthening deployment capabilities.

Key reforms include renegotiating responsibilities for the Stockpile with the States and Territories to address duplication and waste, and outsourcing management of some purchasing and inventory management of the Stockpile to a Prime Vendor.

See also the related capital measure titled *Routine Replenishment of the National Medical Stockpile* in the Health Portfolio.

Rural and Regional General Practice Teaching Infrastructure Grants

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	21.0	21.0	10.5	-

The Government will provide \$52.5 million over three years for at least 175 infrastructure grants for existing general practices in rural and remote settings to provide additional consultation rooms and space for teaching and training. This investment will strengthen the rural health workforce and improve health service delivery in these communities.

The grants will be capped at \$300,000 and successful practices will be required to match the Commonwealth commitment.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Support Australia's Health System*.

Simplified and consistent health and medical research

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
National Health and Medical Research Council	-	4.1	5.0	0.3	0.3

The Government will provide \$9.9 million over five years from 2014-15 (including \$0.3 million in 2018-19) to develop a nationally consistent approach to the way clinical research trials are overseen and conducted and to streamline and simplify National Health and Medical Research Council grant application and assessment processes.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Protect and Streamline Health and Medical Research Funding*.

Simplifying Medicare safety net arrangements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.2	2.5	8.7	1.8	0.2
Department of Health	-	0.9	-53.4	-115.0	-116.3
Total — Expense	0.2	3.4	-44.7	-113.1	-116.1
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Human Services	-	2.0	1.6	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$266.7 million over five years by simplifying Medicare safety net arrangements. From 1 January 2016, the existing Original Medicare Safety Net, Extended Medicare Safety Net and Greatest Permissible Gap will be replaced by the new Medicare Safety Net. There will be new safety net thresholds of \$400 for concessional singles and concessional families, \$700 for non-concessional FTB-A families and non-concessional singles, and \$1,000 for non-concessional families who do not receive FTB-A.

The Medicare Safety Net assists Australian families and singles by contributing towards out-of-pocket costs for Medicare eligible out-of-hospital services. Once the annual thresholds have been met in a calendar year, Medicare will pay 80 per cent of any subsequent out-of-pocket costs, capped at 150 per cent of the Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) fee. The out-of-pocket costs that accumulate to reaching those safety net thresholds will also be capped at 150 per cent of the MBS fee.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Smaller Government — Australian National Preventive Health Agency — abolish

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	1.0	23.6	21.3	21.0	21.3
Australian National Preventive Health Agency	-	-23.8	-23.3	-23.6	-23.9
Total — Expense	1.0	-0.2	-2.0	-2.6	-2.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$6.4 million over five years from 2013-14 by abolishing the Australian National Preventive Health Agency and integrating ongoing functions into the Department of Health, including the administration of social marketing activities and the provision of grants to third parties for preventive health activities.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Smaller Government — More Efficient Health Workforce Development

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	5.1	188.0	169.9	166.4	190.5
Health Workforce Australia	-	-211.5	-214.1	-216.8	-219.5
Total — Expense	5.1	-23.6	-44.2	-50.3	-29.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$142.0 million over five years by abolishing Health Workforce Australia and consolidating its functions into the Department of Health. Savings will be achieved through administrative efficiencies, ceasing the planned expansion of the *Clinical Training Funding Programme* which is currently managed by Health Workforce Australia, and redirecting uncommitted funds in the *Health Workforce Fund*.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Sporting Schools Initiative

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Sports Commission	-	20.0	39.6	39.2	-
Total — Expense	-	20.0	39.6	39.2	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Sports Commission	-	1.5	-	-	-
Total — Capital	-	1.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$100.3 million over three years from 2014-15 to the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) to encourage school students to participate in physical activity before, during and after school.

Through the *Sporting Schools Initiative*, the ASC will provide grants and resources to schools and sports groups to administer sporting programmes in up to 5,760 sites across Australia, with approximately 860,000 children participating each year.

Stoma Appliance Scheme — new listing and amendments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-0.1	-0.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.2 million over four years through the listing of three new items and amendments to the prices of three current items on the Stoma Appliance Scheme from 1 July 2014.

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.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Supporting the Royal Flying Doctor Service

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	6.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$6.0 million in 2014-15 to support the Royal Flying Doctor Service to deliver emergency and primary health care services to people in rural and remote communities of Australia.

This measure supports the Government's commitment to rural and remote communities.

Tasmanian nursing and allied health scholarship and support scheme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	-2.0	-2.6	-2.6	-2.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$9.9 million over four years by ceasing funding for the nursing and allied health scholarships support scheme under the Tasmanian Health Assistance Package. The nursing scholarships will cease from 1 July 2014 and the allied health scholarships from 1 July 2015.

Access to nursing and allied health scholarships will continue through the related expense measure titled *Investing in the nursing and allied health workforce* in the Health Portfolio.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Tobacco Plain Packaging Litigation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp

The Government will provide funding to defend international legal proceedings initiated by tobacco companies against the *Tobacco Plain Packaging Act 2011*.

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The funding will support work undertaken by the Department of Health, the Attorney-General's Department, the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade and the Australian Government Solicitor to defend current and potential litigation, and process freedom of information requests.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication to protect the Australian Government's position in any litigation.

Transfer of Payment Administration Functions for Professional Pharmacy Programmes

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	0.6	1.4	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-0.6	-1.4	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.1 million over two years to the Pharmacy Guild of Australia (the Guild) to administer the payment functions for Professional Pharmacy Programmes under the *Fifth Community Pharmacy Agreement*. These programmes were previously administered by the Department of Human Services.

The Programmes to be administered by the Guild include the *Home Medicines Review Programme*, *Residential Medication Management Review Programme*, *Diabetes Medication Management Service*, *Medicines Use Review*, *Rural Pharmacy Maintenance Allowance*, *Section 100 Support Allowance*, and the *Pharmacy Practice Incentives Programme*.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Human Services.

Water Safety — reduce drownings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	1.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	5.0

The Government will provide \$15.0 million over five years to surf life saving and water safety organisations to support their efforts to reduce drowning deaths and promote water safety.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Reduce Drownings*.

World Health Organization — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-2.3	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.3 million by reducing its voluntary additional contribution to the World Health Organization.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

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Community Innovation through Collaboration Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-4.1	-7.2	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$11.3 million over two years by discontinuing the *Community Innovation through Collaboration Programme*. Contractually committed projects in 2014-15 will not be affected.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION**Asylum Seeker Support — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	27.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$27.8 million in 2014-15 to fund the *Asylum Seeker Assistance Scheme* and the *Community Assistance Support Programme* to provide eligible asylum seekers with support while their immigration status is being resolved.

This measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15* measure.

Combating people smuggling — international engagement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	3.7	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$3.7 million in 2014-15 for international engagement activities to prevent and disrupt maritime people smuggling.

Australian Customs and Border Protection Service officials will be stationed in Indonesia, Malaysia and Sri Lanka to coordinate Commonwealth agency efforts to sustain the prevention of maritime people smuggling.

This measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15* measure.

Displaced Persons Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-9.4	-7.0	-7.4	-7.4	-7.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$38.4 million over five years by ceasing the *Displaced Persons Programme* from 2013-14.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Donation of Bay Class vessels — Malaysia

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.2 million over four years to donate two retired *Bay* Class vessels to Malaysia in 2015-16 to assist regional efforts to combat people smuggling. Pre-delivery maintenance and vessel training will be provided to Malaysia prior to the vessels being donated.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 6 February 2014 issued by the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.

Education Services for Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Christmas Island

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	2.6	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.6 million in 2014-15 to fund access to full-time school education for all school aged Illegal Maritime Arrivals on Christmas Island. Education will be delivered through the local school system under an arrangement with the Western Australian Department of Education.

This measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Migration Programme – allocation of places for 2014-15* measure.

Managing the Legacy of Illegal Maritime Arrivals in Australia

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-117.5	-288.1	529.1	-6.9	-7.0

The Government will provide \$149.9 million over five years to fund a range of reforms to compliance, removal and network management arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) who have remained in Australia.

This measure will increase the Department of Immigration and Border Protection's removal and compliance capability by extending mainstream compliance and removal functions to the IMA legacy caseload.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

The cost of this measure is partially funded from a 'decision taken but not yet announced' included in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

For further information see the *Coalition's Policy to Clear Labor's 30,000 Border Failure Backlog*.

Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Employment	-	-	-0.2	-0.6	-0.9
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	..	..	..	..
Department of Human Services	-0.6	-1.1	-1.2	-1.7	-2.3
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-1.1	-1.3	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5
Department of the Treasury	-1.8	-6.0	-11.3	-17.0	-22.8
Department of Education	-1.9	-6.8	-13.0	-20.0	-28.0
Department of Health	-2.1	-7.8	-14.1	-21.0	-27.9
Department of Industry	-3.8	-8.6	-10.8	-11.3	-11.4
Department of Social Services	-2.4	-10.7	-19.7	-34.6	-54.7
Total — Expense	-13.7	-42.2	-71.8	-107.8	-149.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	-	-	-	..
<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>	-2.9	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.7
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-2.4	-10.6	-20.4	-31.8	-42.2
Total — Revenue	-5.3	-11.3	-21.0	-32.4	-42.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>	-	..	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$305.2 million (including a reduction in revenue of \$112.9 million) over five years, by modifying the size and composition of the 2014-15 Migration Programme.

The 2014-15 Migration Programme will have 190,000 places and maintain the composition of 128,550 Skilled Stream places, 60,885 Family Stream places and 565 Special Eligibility Stream places.

The Skilled Stream will continue to focus on Australia's longer term skills needs, including addressing skills shortages in regional Australia.

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The Family Stream will refocus on meeting the increasing demand for close family reunions. The additional partner and child places will be made available as a result of the cessation of new applications from the other family and parent (non-contributory) places. This cessation will also enable faster processing of existing applications.

The Government will reverse the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2012-13* measure titled *Response to the expert panel – Permanent migration programme – additional family stream places* and remove 4,000 places allocated to Illegal Maritime Arrivals in the Family Stream (not previously accounted for in total programme numbers).

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Offshore Biometrics Programme — expansion

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-4.8	-4.7	-4.5	-4.6
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>	-	1.5	0.5	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$18.6 million over four years by expanding the *Offshore Biometrics Programme* beyond the 20 countries where it currently operates and introducing user-pays arrangements for visa services and biometric collection services with third-party service delivery partners.

The Government will provide \$2.0 million in capital funding over two years for biometric systems software and equipment to expand the programme.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Offshore Processing Centres — renegotiating major service provider contracts

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	6.8	-37.6	-27.0	-11.1	-8.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$77.5 million over five years from 2013-14 by renegotiating and consolidating offshore processing centre service provider contracts.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Onshore Immigration Detention Network — estate management plan

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	1.1	-24.4	-24.1	-52.4	-64.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$283.3 million over four years by consolidating the onshore immigration detention network by closing nine detention facilities (Aqua and Lilac; Curtin; Darwin Airport Lodge; Inverbrackie; Leonora; Northern; Pontville; Port Augusta; and Scherger), extending the leases for Blaydin and Wickham Point facilities and upgrading some remaining facilities. Savings are partially offset by expenditure associated with increasing cooperation between the Commonwealth and the Australian Federal Police and State and Territory Police services.

Part of the funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Operation Sovereign Borders — Special Envoy

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	0.5	0.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.0 million over two years for the activities of the Special Envoy for Operation Sovereign Borders. The Special Envoy was appointed on 27 September 2013 and will engage with regional governments on issues relating to Operation Sovereign Borders.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

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Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for a Regional Deterrence Framework to Combat People Smuggling*.

Outreach Officer Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-2.8	-2.8	-2.8	-2.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$11.2 million over four years by ceasing the *Outreach Officer Programme* from 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Reducing Access to the Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme for Onshore Protection Visa Applicants

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5	-0.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.1 million over four years by removing Immigration Advice and Application Assistance Scheme (IAAAS) support for non-Illegal Maritime Arrival (IMA) onshore applicants who seek a merits review of their negative primary protection decision. IAAAS would remain in place for non-IMA onshore applicants during their primary processing.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

This measure builds on the Government's decision to remove IAAAS access for IMAs. Further information can be found in the press release of 31 March 2014, issued by the Minister for Immigration and Border Protection.

Regional Cooperation Arrangements — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	1.3	22.0	49.0	-	-

The Government will provide \$86.8 million over three years from 2013-14 to fund Regional Cooperation Arrangements (RCA) in Indonesia. The RCA supports regional partners to manage their asylum seeker populations.

The cost of this measure is partially funded from a 'decision taken but not yet announced' included in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*, and will be partially offset by redirecting funding from the 2014-15 Budget measure *Migration Programme – allocation of places for 2014-15*.

Smaller Government — strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	30.2	33.8	9.1	15.5
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	-	1.0	-	-	-
Department of Finance	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total — Expense	-	31.3	33.9	9.2	15.6
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	17.0	52.8	69.2	69.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	-	-2.7	43.0	43.5	36.5

The Government will provide \$480.5 million over four years (\$711.9 million over six years, including \$438.7 million in capital funding) to strengthen Australia's border protection services.

From 1 July 2015, the Australian Customs and Border Protection Service will be consolidated into the Department of Immigration and Border Protection to create a single agency.

Enhancements to Australia's border protection services will commence in 2014-15 within the existing Australian Customs and Border Protection Service including through:

- improved trade and passenger facilitation by implementing more efficient processes;
- better targeting and interception of illegal trade and travellers through enhanced Information Communication Technology systems, intelligence and enforcement capability; and
- strengthened integrity and capability of the border workforce.

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The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Immigration and Border Protection portfolio and improved revenue collection of \$208.2 million over four years (\$346.6 million over six years) through the use of analytics and detailed data modelling, new processes for revenue collection and targeted campaigns to improve compliance.

The Government will provide \$0.5 million over four years to the Department of Finance to apply the Gateway Review Process to this programme.

Support Services and Mutual Obligations Arrangements for Illegal Maritime Arrivals

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	54.6	88.9	125.8	165.7
Department of Human Services	1.5	10.2	9.3	12.3	14.2
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	8.3	0.7	-	-
Department of Health	1.3	7.4	9.9	15.1	19.4
Department of Employment	-	4.5	6.1	8.5	10.2
Total — Expense	2.8	85.2	115.0	161.6	209.5

The Government will provide \$574.1 million over five years from 2013-14 to provide support services to Illegal Maritime Arrivals (IMAs) found to be owed protection, and to strengthen mutual obligation arrangements for IMAs.

In addition to the range of services agreed for Temporary Protection Visa holders in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*, this measure will provide temporary visa holders with access to Torture and Trauma Support and Complex Case Support where appropriate, and will provide the full range of employment services support through Job Services Australia to assist them in gaining employment.

In return for receiving income support, temporary visa holders will be subject to mutual obligation requirements, such as Job Search or Work for the Dole.

The Government will also introduce a Mutual Obligations Community Engagement Activities Pilot for 300 to 400 IMAs who hold a Bridging Visa. The Pilot is intended to provide participants with skills to enhance work readiness if they are found to be owed protection and will be delivered in three streams: workplace readiness activities; community improvement activities; and community volunteering activities.

This measure builds on the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* measures titled *Addressing the Backlog and Reintroducing Temporary Protection Visas and Mutual Obligations Arrangements – Phase One*.

Supporting Rapid Transfers and Operation Sovereign Borders

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$217.6 million over five years, (including \$28.3 million in capital), to upgrade essential infrastructure on Christmas Island which will support the rapid transfer of Illegal Maritime Arrivals to Offshore Processing Centres within 48 hours. This measure includes funding for health infrastructure which will reduce the need to transfer detainees to the Australian mainland for assessment and treatment of health issues.

Funding for this measure was included as a ‘decision taken but not yet announced’ in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

This measure delivers on the Government’s election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition’s Policy for a Regional Deterrence Framework to Combat People Smuggling*.

Unaccompanied humanitarian minors — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	15.2	12.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$27.3 million over two years for the supervision and welfare of unaccompanied humanitarian minors (UHMs).

The *UHM programme* 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.

This measure will be offset by redirecting funding from the *Migration Programme – allocation of places for 2014-15* measure.

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Visa simplification to support the vocational education and training sector

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.5
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	-	1.3	2.4	3.1
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Department of Immigration and Border Protection	-	..	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.3 million over four years to extend the streamlined visa processing arrangements currently available to students enrolled in bachelor, masters or doctoral degrees at participating universities to students enrolled in Advanced Diploma level Vocational Education and Training (VET) courses at eligible TAFEs and other education providers.

This measure will support the growth of Australia's international VET sector and increase revenue by an estimated \$6.7 million over three years from 2015-16.

INDUSTRY**Acacia Park Industrial Estate Armidale — contribution reversal**

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-0.2	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$220,000 by not proceeding with the *Acacia Park Industrial Estate Armidale contribution towards enhanced communications capacity* measure announced in the *2013-14 Budget*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australia-China Science and Research Fund — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	2.0	2.5	2.8	2.6

The Government will provide \$10.0 million over four years to continue the *Australia-China Science and Research Fund* which supports collaboration between Australian and Chinese researchers.

The measure includes:

- \$7.0 million over four years for five new Joint Research Centres focused on the application and commercialisation of research outcomes in oil and gas, mining, and mining services, medical research and advanced manufacturing;
- \$0.6 million over two years for the Australia-China Science Academies Symposium series; and
- \$0.8 million over four years for the *Australia-China Young Researchers Exchange Programme*.

The remaining funding is for the Department of Industry to administer the *Australia-China Science and Research Fund*.

Australian Apprenticeships Incentives Programme — Tools For Your Trade — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-142.4	-254.8	-257.4	-260.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$914.6 million over four years by ceasing *Tools For Your Trade* payments from 1 July 2014. Financial assistance to help apprentices will instead be provided through the *Trade Support Loans Programme*.

See also the related expense measure titled *Trade Support Loans – establishment*.

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation	-	8.5	8.9	9.4	4.9

The Government will provide an additional \$31.6 million over four years to the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation towards the costs of operating the Open Pool Australian Lightwater (OPAL) nuclear research reactor at full capacity. This includes funding to meet the increased costs of nuclear fuel and electricity.

OPAL uses low enriched uranium fuel to produce neutrons for nuclear medicine production, as well as for environmental, medical and material research.

Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation — permanent disposal of used nuclear fuel

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation	-	2.7	2.9	18.8	1.4

The Government will provide \$45.0 million over five years (including \$19.1 million in 2018-19) to send two shipments of spent nuclear fuel assemblies from the Open Pool Australian Lightwater (OPAL) nuclear research reactor to the United States for processing and permanent storage in accordance with the United States Department of Energy Foreign Research Reactor Spent Nuclear Fuel Acceptance Program. Disposal of the spent fuel assemblies will create additional capacity for the temporary storage of spent fuel in the OPAL service pool, which is essential for the continued operation of the reactor.

Australian Renewable Energy Agency — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	6.0	5.4	4.3	2.8
Australian Renewable Energy Agency	-	-	-	-	-357.0
Total — Expense	-	6.0	5.4	4.3	-354.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.3 billion over five years from 2017-18 (including \$223.3 million in 2018-19, \$455.9 million in 2019-20, \$125.4 million in 2020-21 and \$131.1 million in 2021-22) by abolishing the Australian Renewable Energy Agency and repealing the *Australian Renewable Energy Agency Act 2011*. Funding of \$1.0 billion over eight years will remain available to support existing priority projects.

This measure includes funding of \$24.1 million over eight years from 2014-15 for the Department of Industry to manage legacy functions.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Automotive Assistance — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-100.0	-100.0	-	-	-118.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$618.5 million over eight years from 2013-14 (including \$176.7 million in 2018-19, \$95.2 million in 2019-20 and \$28.6 million in 2020-21) by terminating the Automotive Transformation Scheme on 1 January 2018, to reflect announcements by vehicle manufacturers that they will cease vehicle manufacturing in Australia by the end of 2017.

The Government will also not proceed with the *Supporting automotive sector jobs* measure announced in the *Pre-Election Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013*. Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Funding of approximately \$1.0 billion over five years from 2013-14 will remain available under the Automotive Transformation Scheme to support vehicle manufacturers and supply chain companies.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Carbon Capture and Storage Flagships — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-	-	-	-162.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$459.3 million over three years from 2017-18 (including \$263.3 million in 2018-19 and \$33.1 million in 2019-20) from the *Carbon Capture and Storage Flagships Programme*. Funding of \$191.7 million over seven years will remain available to support existing projects.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation — Marine National Facility research vessel — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	-11.1	17.4	18.2	20.7	20.5

The Government will provide an additional \$65.7 million over four years to the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) for the Marine National Facility to operate the new research vessel, the RV *Investigator*. The CSIRO will contribute a further \$21.2 million over four years from within its existing resources.

The RV *Investigator* replaces the RV *Southern Surveyor* which was decommissioned in December 2013.

Entrepreneurs' Infrastructure Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-53.7	-32.8	-131.5	-142.1	-149.2
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Industry</i>	-	9.2	6.5	4.3	3.3

The Government will provide \$484.2 million over five years from 2013-14 to establish the *Entrepreneurs' Infrastructure Programme* to implement its new approach to industry policy. The programme will focus on supporting the commercialisation of good ideas, job creation and lifting the capability of small business, the provision of market and industry information, and the facilitation of access to business management advice and skills from experienced private sector providers and researchers.

The programme will be delivered through a single agency model by the Department of Industry to achieve efficiencies and reduce red tape.

The Government will also achieve savings of \$845.6 million over five years by ceasing the following programmes from 1 January 2015:

- *Australian Industry Participation;*
- *Commercialisation Australia;*
- *Enterprise Solutions;*
- *Innovation Investment Fund;*
- *Industry Innovation Councils;*
- *Enterprise Connect;*
- *Industry Innovation Precincts; and*
- *Textile, Clothing and Footwear Small Business and Building Innovative Capability.*

The Government will achieve further savings of \$124.7 million over five years by reducing funding for the *Clean Technology (Investment and Innovation) programmes* and *Cooperative Research Centres*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Ethanol Production Grants Programme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-	-122.1	-122.1	-122.1
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-122.1	-114.1	-106.1

The Government will achieve net savings of \$120.0 million over six years from 2015-16 (including \$24.0 million in 2018-19, \$32.0 million in 2019-20 and \$40.0 million in 2020-21) by ceasing the *Ethanol Production Grants Programme* on 30 June 2015. The fuel excise on domestically produced ethanol will be reduced to zero from 1 July 2015 and then increased by 2.5 cents per litre per year for five years from 1 July 2016 until it reaches 12.5 cents per litre, which represents 50 per cent of the energy content equivalent rate. The excise equivalent customs duty for ethanol will be retained at 38.143 cents per litre.

See also the related expense measure titled *Taxation Treatment of Biodiesel – modification* in the Treasury Portfolio.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

General Motors Holden — next generation vehicles — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-36.0	-50.7	-112.7	-15.6	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$215.0 million over four years from 2013-14 by not proceeding with funding for the General Motors Holden next generation vehicles project following Holden's decision not to proceed with the project and to cease vehicle manufacturing in Australia by the end of 2017.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Growth Fund — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-4.7	10.4	20.6	27.9	14.1
Department of Employment	-	-	-	3.0	12.0
Total — Expense	-4.7	10.4	20.6	30.9	26.1

The Government will provide \$100.6 million over six years from 2013-14 (including \$0.5 million in 2018-19) to establish a \$155 million Growth Fund to support new jobs, investment and economic growth in South Australia and Victoria following announcements by vehicle manufacturers that they will cease vehicle manufacturing in Australia by the end of 2017. The remaining funding will be provided by the Victorian and South Australian governments, Holden and Toyota. The Growth Fund includes the following components and Commonwealth contributions:

- \$35.8 million over five years to establish the *Next Generation Manufacturing Investment Programme* to support investment in high-value manufacturing in Victoria and South Australia;
- \$29.8 million over five years to establish the *Regional Infrastructure Programme* to encourage investment in capital projects outside of manufacturing to support new business opportunities;
- \$20.0 million over five years to establish the *Automotive Diversification Programme* to assist component suppliers to transition to new products and markets, including redirecting existing uncommitted funding of \$16.9 million from the Automotive New Markets Initiative;

- \$15.0 million over two years from 2016-17 to extend the *Automotive Industry Structural Adjustment Programme* to assist automotive workers made redundant to find employment; and
- the *Skills and Training Programme*, funded by Holden and Toyota, to transition automotive workers into new jobs through skills recognition and training.

Further information can be found in the joint press release of 30 April 2014 issued by the Prime Minister and the Minister for Industry.

Industry grant programmes — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-2.0	-0.9	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.0 million over two years by returning to the Budget uncommitted funding under various grant programmes in the Industry portfolio.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Industry Skills Fund — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Employment	-	2.9	4.4	2.8	1.5
Department of Human Services	..	-0.1	0.4	-0.1	-0.1
Department of the Treasury	7.9	-26.7	-	-	-
Department of Industry	-64.6	-195.3	-113.8	-85.0	-65.1
Total — Expense	-56.6	-219.2	-109.0	-82.4	-63.7

The Government will provide \$476.0 million over four years to establish the *Industry Skills Fund* (ISF) from 1 January 2015 to support the training needs of small to medium enterprises which cannot be readily met by the national training system. Industries targeted will include: health and biomedical products; mining, oil and gas equipment technology and services; and advanced manufacturing, including defence and aerospace.

The ISF is expected to deliver 121,500 training places (providing participants with qualifications, skill sets and recognition of both prior learning and current competencies) and 74,300 support services (including mentoring and foundation skills) over four years. Businesses will be required to make co-contributions towards the cost of training on a sliding scale depending on the size of the enterprise.

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The Government will also achieve savings of \$1.0 billion over five years from 2013-14 by ceasing the following ten skills and training programmes from 1 January 2015:

- *National Partnership Agreement on Training Places for Single Parents;*
- *Accelerated Australian Apprenticeships Programme;*
- *Australian Apprenticeships Mentoring Programme;*
- *National Workforce Development Fund;*
- *Workplace English Language and Literacy Programme;*
- *Alternative Pathways Programme;*
- *Apprenticeship to Business Owner Programme;*
- *Productive Ageing through Community Education;*
- *Australian Apprenticeships Access Programme;* and
- *Step Into Skills Programme* (including additional savings of \$0.8 million in 2013-14 by not commencing the programme as scheduled).

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Manufacturing Transition Grants Programme — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	2.6	34.3	13.1	-

The Government will provide \$50.0 million over three years to establish the *Manufacturing Transition Grants Programme* to assist Australian manufacturers to transition to higher value manufacturing activities and/or niche activities which result in a new end product and improve a firm's competitiveness.

The programme will provide grants of \$5.0 million to \$10.0 million to support activities including: alterations and/or extensions to premises to facilitate a new production process; the acquisition of machinery and equipment required for the new production process; and specialised training in the use and maintenance of the new machinery and equipment.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Boost the Competitiveness of Australian Manufacturing*.

Montara Commission of Inquiry — implementation of Government response — finalisation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.3 million in 2014-15 to commission an independent evaluation and review of the 'one-stop-shop' for offshore petroleum project environmental approvals to finalise the Government's response to the Report of the Montara Commission of Inquiry.

Under the one-stop-shop arrangements, the National Offshore Petroleum Safety and Environmental Management Authority is the sole environmental assessor for offshore petroleum and greenhouse gas activities in Commonwealth waters. The review will consider the effectiveness of the new arrangements in achieving their objectives.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Industry.

National Low Emissions Coal Initiative — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-7.0	-9.8	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$16.8 million over two years from 2013-14 from the *National Low Emissions Coal Initiative*. Funding of \$96.6 million over four years will remain available to support the development and deployment of technologies that aim to reduce emissions from coal use.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Radioactive Waste Management — second stage business case

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	6.8	7.1	8.8	-

The Government will provide \$22.6 million over three years from 2014-15 to develop detailed design options for a national facility to address Australia's future radioactive waste management requirements as set out in the *National Radioactive Waste Management Act 2012*. The measure includes funding to conduct further site characterisation studies, continue the Regional Consultative Committee, establish a Technical Advisory Group and develop a second stage business case in accordance with the Two Stage Approval Process for Australian Government Construction Projects.

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Oilcode dispute resolution services — extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$66,000 in 2014-15 to extend the provision of dispute resolution services for the Oilcode until 30 June 2015. The one year extension will allow for other options to be investigated for the provision of these services.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of Industry.

Plantation Manufacturing Innovation and Investment Fund — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-5.6	-4.9	-4.9	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$15.5 million over three years from 2013-14 by ceasing the *Plantation Manufacturing Innovation and Investment Fund*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Science and Research Agencies — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Institute of Marine Science	-	-1.8	-1.9	-2.1	-2.0
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation	-	-6.6	-6.8	-7.1	-7.0
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	-	-26.4	-27.5	-28.9	-28.6
Total — Expense	-	-34.8	-36.3	-38.1	-37.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$146.8 million over four years by reducing research funding for the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation by \$111.4 million, the Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation by \$27.6 million and the Australian Institute of Marine Science by \$7.8 million.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Science for Australia's Future — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	7.0	7.0	7.0	7.0

The Government will provide \$28.0 million over four years from 2014-15 for the following activities as part of a national strategy for science engagement:

- \$5.5 million for the Prime Minister's Prizes for Science;
- \$13.4 million for National Science Week and the *Strategic Science and Communication Programme*; and
- \$9.1 million for the *Questacon Smart Skills National Technology Learning Programme* and *Equity of Access Programme*, which targets disadvantaged, regional and minority communities.

Smaller Government — Unique Student Identifier — revised governance arrangement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.6 million over five years by amending the governance arrangements for the Unique Student Identifier (USI). Instead of establishing a separate authority to administer the USI, the Government will appoint a statutory office holder who will be supported within the Department of Industry.

Savings from this measure will be returned to the *National Training System Commonwealth Own Purpose Expenditure Programme*.

Tasmanian Major Projects Approval Agency — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	0.9	0.9	0.9	-

The Government will provide \$2.7 million over three years from 2014-15 to establish the Tasmanian Major Projects Approval Agency in Launceston. The agency will coordinate the regulatory approvals process for current and new major capital projects in Tasmania and will provide a single point of entry for both the Commonwealth and state regulatory systems. The agency will be part of the Department of Industry.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania*.

Textile, Clothing and Footwear Structural Adjustment Programme — support services

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	-	-1.5	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.5 million in 2014-15 by capping the employment assistance element of the *Textile, Clothing and Footwear Structural Adjustment Programme* at \$1.0 million in 2014-15 to reflect the current level of demand.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Trade Support Loans — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Industry	2.0	47.8	127.1	141.0	155.1
Australian Taxation Office	1.2	2.2	0.7	0.6	0.5
Total — Expense	3.2	49.9	127.8	141.6	155.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Industry	-	-	2.7	12.7	27.0
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
Australian Taxation Office	0.4	2.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$439.0 million over five years from 2013-14 to establish the *Trade Support Loans Programme*, which will provide apprentices with financial assistance of up to \$20,000 over a four year apprenticeship.

Trade Support Loans will be provided at concessional interest rates and capped at \$8,000 in the first year of the apprenticeship, \$6,000 in the second, \$4,000 in the third and \$2,000 in the fourth. They will be available to apprentices undertaking a Certificate III or IV qualification that leads to an occupation on the National Skills Needs List. Apprentices will be required to commence repaying the loans when their income exceeds a minimum repayment threshold (\$53,345 in 2014-15) consistent with arrangements applying to university students under the *Higher Education Loan Programme* (HELP). Apprentices who successfully complete their training will receive a 20 per cent discount on the amount to be repaid.

The measure includes \$5.8 million for Australian Apprenticeship Centres to administer the loan payments in 2014-15, pending consideration of a new Australian Apprenticeship Support Services contract, and \$8.5 million over four years (including \$3.2 million in capital funding) for the Australian Taxation Office to administer loan repayments.

Further consideration will be undertaken after the *2014-15 Budget* on the scope for the financial services sector to administer Trade Support Loans payments from 2015-16.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Better Support of Australian Apprentices*.

INFRASTRUCTURE AND REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Civil Aviation Safety Authority Board — expansion

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Civil Aviation Safety Authority	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will expand the Civil Aviation Safety Authority's (CASA) Board from four to six members. This expansion will increase the breadth of knowledge and experience on the CASA Board, enhancing its capability to set and implement the strategic direction of the organisation. The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the CASA.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Aviation*.

Hobart International Airport Runway Extension — contribution

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	5.5	26.1	6.4	-

The Government will contribute \$38.0 million over three years from 2014-15 for a runway extension of up to 500 metres and associated capital works at the Hobart International Airport.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Economic Growth Plan for Tasmania*.

Indian Ocean Territories — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	6.3	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$6.3 million in 2014-15 to support the Indian Ocean Territories through additional funding for services on Christmas Island.

This funding will provide additional health staff to Christmas Island Hospital, additional police officers and one year of air services underwriting costs to meet current demands on Christmas Island.

Infrastructure Growth Package — addition to the Infrastructure Investment Programme for new investments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	1,000.0	201.7	660.3	969.2	519.3
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-	350.0	-	-
Total — Expense	1,000.0	201.7	1,010.3	969.2	519.3

The Government is providing a further \$3.7 billion over five years from 2013-14 to the *Infrastructure Investment Programme* for new investments to support economic growth and employment. The new investments include:

- \$1 billion for East-West Link Stage 2 in Melbourne, which combines with a further \$500 million being provided for the project from existing *Infrastructure Investment Programme* funding, for a total \$1.5 billion investment to 2018-19;
- \$866 million for the Perth Freight Link in Western Australia, taking the total Federal investment in the project to \$925 million;
- the Toowoomba Second Range Crossing in Queensland;
- the North-South Road Corridor in Adelaide;
- Northern Territory road upgrades;
- \$229 million for a *National Highway Upgrade Programme*;
- additional funding of \$200 million for the *Black Spot Programme*; and
- additional funding of \$350 million for the *Roads to Recovery Programme*.

See related expense measures *Infrastructure Growth Package – Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan – Road Funding* and *Infrastructure Growth Package – WestConnex Stage 2 – provision of a concessional loan* in the Infrastructure and Regional Development Portfolio.

Infrastructure Growth Package — WestConnex Stage 2 — provision of a concessional loan

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	3.8	96.6	344.5	314.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development</i>	-	-	-	5.3	26.4

The Government will provide a concessional loan of up to \$2.0 billion to accelerate the delivery of Stage 2 of the WestConnex project in Sydney. The value of the concessionality of the loan, on a fiscal balance basis, is estimated to be \$728.1 million over the forward estimates. This measure includes a \$3.8 million departmental allocation in 2014-15 to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development for specialist advice in respect of the project and funding arrangements.

On an underlying cash basis, the impact of the loan is estimated to be \$96.2 million over the forward estimates.

The loan would be available for drawdown during the construction period of WestConnex Stage 2 from 1 July 2015 to 31 December 2018. The full repayment of the loan is expected by 2029.

See also the related expense measures titled *Infrastructure Growth Package – Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan – Road Funding* and *Infrastructure Growth Package – Western Sydney Infrastructure Unit – establishment*.

Infrastructure Growth Package — Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan — Road Funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	103.0	210.2	351.6	530.9
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	*	*	*	*	*
Total — Expense	-	103.0	210.2	351.6	530.9

The Government will provide \$2.9 billion over 10 years from 2014-15 to 2023-24 (including \$525.0 million in 2018-19, \$465.0 million in 2019-20, \$304 million in 2020-21, \$321.0 million in 2021-22, \$39.0 million in 2022-23 and \$20.0 million in 2023-24) to deliver a Western Sydney Infrastructure Plan, by funding major road projects for the development of a second Sydney airport at Badgerys Creek and providing the transport infrastructure necessary to support a growing population in Western Sydney. The NSW Government's funding contribution takes this to a \$3.5 billion road programme.

This Plan will deliver significant upgrades to major and local roads, including:

- an upgrade of the Northern Road to a minimum of four lanes from Narellan to the M4 Motorway;
- the construction of a new four-lane motorway between the M7 Motorway and the Northern Road;
- an upgrading of Bringelly Road to a minimum of four lanes from Camden Valley Way to the Northern Road; and
- a \$200 million local roads package.

See also the related expense measures titled *Infrastructure Growth Package – WestConnex Stage 2 – provision of a concessional loan*, *Infrastructure Growth Package – Western Sydney Infrastructure Unit – establishment*, *Infrastructure Growth Package Asset Recycling Initiative – establishment* and *Infrastructure Growth Package – addition to the Infrastructure Investment Programme for new investments*.

Infrastructure Growth Package — Western Sydney Infrastructure Unit — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	28.3	27.5	16.2	5.8

The Government will provide \$77.8 million over four years to establish a dedicated Western Sydney Infrastructure Unit (the Unit) in the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development to progress the development of a second major airport at Badgerys Creek. The Unit will:

- develop detailed airport design concepts;
- conduct environmental assessments; and
- engage with potential private sector operators, in particular the Sydney Airport Group, on commercial arrangements for the development and long term leasing of a new civil airport at Badgerys Creek.

Further information can be found in the press release of 15 April 2014 issued by the Prime Minister and the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development.

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Local Government Financial Assistance Grants — pause indexation for three years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-95.8	-200.4	-307.8	-321.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$925.2 million over four years by pausing indexation of the *Local Government Financial Assistance Grants Programme* for three years commencing 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Local Government Reform Fund — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-1.2	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 million in 2013-14 by withdrawing the remaining uncommitted funding from the *Local Government Reform Fund*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Malaysia Airlines flight MH370 — search

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Transport Safety Bureau	10.4	49.6	-	-	-
Department of Defence	25.0	3.0	-	-	-
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	1.0	1.0	-	-	-
Total — Expense	36.3	53.6	-	-	-

The Government will provide up to \$89.9 million over two years from 2013-14 as part of Australia's contribution to the search for Malaysia Airlines flight MH370.

Funding of \$27.9 million over two years from 2013-14 will be provided to the Department of Defence for the costs of its activities to 30 June 2014 in searching for MH370. Funding of \$2.0 million over two years from 2013-14 will also be provided to the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development for the costs of establishing the Joint Agency Coordination Centre (JACC). The JACC was established on 30 March 2014 for an initial period of six months to support liaison with key stakeholders and help ensure strong and consistent communication of the Australian response to the MH370 incident.

Further funding of up to \$60.0 million over two years from 2013-14 will be provided to the Australian Transport Safety Bureau for Australia's contribution to the next phase of the search. The actual cost will depend on a number of factors, including the outcome of procurement processes for specialist services, the length of the search, and the extent of contributions from other countries.

Further information can be found in the transcript of the Prime Minister's press conference of 28 April 2014.

National Stronger Regions Fund — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-	200.0	200.0	200.0

The Government will provide \$1.0 billion over five years from 2015-16 (including \$200.0 million in 2018-19 and 2019-20) for a competitive grants programme to support the construction, expansion and enhancement of infrastructure across Australia. Grants will be available for projects to be delivered in partnership with local, state and territory governments, private sector and community groups. Funding partners will be required to contribute at least half the total project cost.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the joint media release of 29 August 2013 by the then Opposition Leader and the then Shadow Minister for Infrastructure and Transport.

Norfolk Island — essential air services

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	nfp	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding in 2014-15 to meet its commitments to Air New Zealand under an agreement for underwriting essential air services to Norfolk Island.

Funding for this measure is not for publication as negotiations with the service provider are commercial-in-confidence.

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Norfolk Island — financial assistance

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	7.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.5 million to assist the Norfolk Island Government to meet its financial obligations.

This funding will allow for the ongoing provision of essential health, education, policing and utility services to Norfolk Island residents.

The Government will also provide \$2.0 million to support improved governance on Norfolk Island.

See also the related expense measure titled *Norfolk Island – governance reform*.

Norfolk Island — governance reforms

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	2.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$2.0 million to support the delivery of a number of governance reforms on Norfolk Island.

Areas of reform include the development of improved financial management practices and performance audits of Norfolk Island Government business units.

Funding will also support the continued engagement of the Commonwealth Financial Officer to provide oversight and advice to the Norfolk Island Government on its budgeting and expenditure processes.

See also the related expense measure titled *Norfolk Island – financial assistance*.

Protection of the Sea Levy — reduction — offsetting savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-	-	-	-
Australian Maritime Safety Authority	-	-9.0	-9.0	-10.0	-11.0
Total — Expense	-	-9.0	-9.0	-10.0	-11.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$39.0 million over four years by rephasing lower priority maritime safety initiatives. These savings will offset the reduction in revenue from lowering the rate of the Protection of the Sea Levy from 14.25 cents to 11.25 cents per net registered tonne for defined vessels on an ongoing basis from 1 July 2014.

See also the related revenue measure titled *Protection of the Sea Levy – reduction* in the Infrastructure and Regional Development portfolio.

Smaller Government — Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development — savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-2.8	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7	-3.7
Department of the Treasury	-61.6	-24.5	-51.9	-2.5	-
Total — Expense	-64.4	-28.3	-55.6	-6.2	-3.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$17.6 million over five years from 2013-14 as a result of the recent merger of the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development and the former Department of Regional Australia, Local Government, the Arts and Sport. These savings will be achieved through the removal of duplicated corporate functions.

The Government will also achieve savings of \$140.5 million from 2013-14 as a result of lower than expected calls on contingency provisions within the *Infrastructure Investment Programme*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Sustaining Australia's Maritime Skills — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-1.6	-1.7	-1.7	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.0 million over three years from 2013-14 by not proceeding with funding for the *Sustaining Australia's maritime skills* measure announced in the *2013-14 Budget*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Tasmanian Wheat Freight Scheme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	..	0.1	-	-	-
Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development	-	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1
Total — Expense	..	-0.9	-1.1	-1.1	-1.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$4.1 million over four years from ceasing funding to the Tasmanian Wheat Freight Scheme (TWFS).

The TWFS subsidises the cost of shipping bulk wheat to Tasmania but no claim has been received under the TWFS since August 2009. Containerised shipments of wheat to Tasmania remain eligible for assistance under the Tasmanian Freight Equalisation Scheme.

The Department of Human Services, which administers the TWFS, will receive \$0.1 million to update its systems and information documents as a result of the termination of the TWFS.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

PARLIAMENT**Department of Parliamentary Services — additional funding**

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Parliamentary Services	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$60.0 million over four years to the Department of Parliamentary Services to support its core operations.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Parliament House maintenance and asset replacement — assessment and strategic review

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Parliamentary Services	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.7 million in 2014-15 to the Department of Parliamentary Services to undertake a building condition and assessment report and strategic accommodation review to support the development of a first stage business case for a 10 year programme of maintenance and asset replacement at Parliament House.

Funding for this measure was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET

Australia hosting the Group of 20 — reduced funding requirement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-7.0	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$7.0 million in 2014-15 by aligning the funding provided to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet for the hosting of meetings related to the Group of 20 Leaders Summit in 2014, with two scheduled preparatory ministerial meetings.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Clontarf Foundation Academy — expansion

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	1.1	2.8	4.7	4.8

The Government will provide \$13.4 million over four years to the Clontarf Foundation Academy to fund an additional 3,000 places for boys to participate in the *Sporting Chance Programme*, which seeks to improve the health, education, training and employment outcomes of Indigenous boys.

This measure includes \$0.3 million over two years from 2014-15 for an independent evaluation of the Foundation's Academy Expansion.

Community Engagement Police Officers in the Northern Territory

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.5

The Government will provide \$2.5 million over four years to the Northern Territory police to engage up to eight Community Engagement Police Officers in 2014-15 and four officers in 2015-16.

The primary role of the officers is to train, mentor and support other general duties police officers to build trust and improve communication with communities.

Indigenous Affairs Programmes — rationalisation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Torres Strait Regional Authority	-	-1.2	-0.9	-0.8	-0.6
Department of Health	-40.7	-67.3	-46.0	-11.8	44.0
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-94.5	-98.8	-105.5	-110.4
Total — Expense	-40.7	-163.0	-145.6	-118.1	-67.0

The Government will achieve net savings of \$534.4 million over five years through efficiencies resulting from the rationalisation of Indigenous programmes, grants and activities administered by the Prime Minister and Cabinet and Health portfolios.

Over 150 Indigenous programmes and activities which recently transferred to the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet will be consolidated into a new Indigenous Advancement Strategy which is comprised of five programmes focusing on Jobs, Land and the Economy; Children and Schooling; Safety and Wellbeing; Culture and Capability; and Remote Australia Strategies. This rationalisation will eliminate waste and duplication. Funding provided to the Torres Strait Regional Authority will also be reduced to achieve similar efficiencies in its administration of grants. A new Remote Community Advancement Network will be established in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Health funding for Indigenous programmes, grants and activities will be refocused under the *Indigenous Australians Health Programme* to address the priority health needs of Indigenous Australians.

Health portfolio savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*, with the other savings redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Real Solutions for all Australians*.

National Congress of Australia's First Peoples — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-5.0	-5.0	-5.0	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$15.0 million over three years by ceasing funding for the National Congress of Australia's First Peoples from 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Outback Power

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.7

The Government will provide \$10.6 million over four years to service up to 250 existing renewable energy systems in remote Indigenous communities in Western Australia, Queensland and the Northern Territory.

Permanent Police Presence in Remote Indigenous Communities

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	6.9	13.2	13.5	20.5

The Government will provide \$54.1 million over four years to construct police infrastructure in up to seven remote Indigenous communities in Queensland, Western Australia and South Australia. An additional six police complexes will be constructed in the Northern Territory from existing funding of \$48.7 million allocated under the *Stronger Futures in the Northern Territory National Partnership Agreement*.

The Government will focus on Indigenous communities with populations of greater than 300 that do not currently have a permanent police presence or are not located within a reasonable distance of the nearest police station.

Government support will be contingent upon the States and the Northern Territory committing to provide sufficient ongoing policing resources to use the facilities.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Remote School Attendance Strategy — extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide an additional \$18.1 million over two calendar years from 1 April 2014 to extend the Remote School Attendance Strategy to a further 30 remote Indigenous communities across the Northern Territory, Western Australia, South Australia, Queensland and New South Wales.

The Strategy will improve school attendance by supporting families and communities to make sure children attend school. The Strategy commenced in the second school term of 2014 and will conclude at the end of the 2015 school year.

The cost of this measure will be met from within the existing resources of the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

This proposal builds on the measure titled *Remote School Attendance Strategy* announced in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 4 April 2014 issued by the Minister for Indigenous Affairs.

Smaller Government — Council of Australian Governments Reform Council — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-4.2	-4.8	-4.7	-4.7
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>	-	-2.6	-2.6	-2.5	-2.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$8.3 million over four years by ceasing the operations of the Council of Australian Governments Reform Council (CRC). The Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet will no longer receive funding from the States and Territories of \$10.2 million over four years to partially fund the CRC.

This measure is consistent with the Council of Australian Governments decision to reduce bureaucracy and red tape.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Smaller Government — National Security Legislation Monitor — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.3 million over four years by ceasing the Independent National Security Legislation Monitor function.

This proposal is consistent with the Government’s commitment to streamlining Government.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Support for the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce — continuation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Federal Police	-	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.8
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	1.3	0.8	0.9	0.8

The Government will provide \$3.8 million over four years to continue the presence of Australian Federal Police (AFP) officers on the Northern Territory Child Abuse Taskforce.

The Child Abuse Taskforce was established in 2006. The AFP will continue to contribute five officers to the Taskforce in 2014-15, before drawing down to three officers in 2015-16.

Women's Leadership and Development Strategy — savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4	-0.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.6 million over four years by reducing funding to the *Women's Leadership and Development Strategy*.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

SOCIAL SERVICES

ACT Accommodation — Department of Social Services

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	5.1	2.2	1.0	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	-	11.6	6.9	-

The Government will provide \$26.8 million over three years (including \$18.5 million in capital funding over two years) towards fit-out, project management and other costs to enable the Department of Social Services to relocate to a new tenancy in the Australian Capital Territory by the end of 2016 when the current lease at Tuggeranong Office Park is due to expire.

Aged Care — Commonwealth Home Support Programme — reduced rate of real funding growth

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.7 billion over six years from 1 July 2018 by reducing the rate of real growth in the *Commonwealth Home Support Programme* from six per cent annually to 3.5 per cent annually. This will broadly align annual growth in the *Commonwealth Home Support Programme* funding with annual growth in the population aged 65 years and over. This growth funding is allocated by the Government in addition to the annual price indexation of programme funding.

The savings from this measure will be directed to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Aged Care Payroll Tax Supplement — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	0.6	0.1	0.1	0.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-12.2	-25.7	-26.9	-28.5
Department of Social Services	-	-74.1	-155.5	-161.3	-169.4
Total — Expense	-	-85.6	-181.2	-188.1	-197.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$652.7 million over four years by ceasing Payroll Tax Supplement payments to currently eligible residential aged care providers from 1 January 2015.

The savings from this measure will be redirected to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Aged care services for the Arabic speaking Muslim community in Western Sydney

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	0.5	3.5	6.0	-

The Government will provide \$10.0 million over three years to the Lebanese Muslim Association to build a residential aged care service that will provide culturally appropriate aged care in Western Sydney.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release *Coalition pledges \$20 million for aged care services for Arabic speaking community in Sydney's West*.

Aged care services for the Maronite community of Western Sydney

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-	6.0	4.0	-

The Government will provide \$10.0 million over two years to support the provision of culturally appropriate residential aged care to the Maronite and other Arabic-speaking Christian communities of Western Sydney.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release *Coalition pledges \$20 million for aged care services for Arabic speaking community in Sydney's West*.

Andrew Fisher Applied Policy Institute for Ageing — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-1.1	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2	-1.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$5.9 million over five years by not proceeding with the *Support Senior Australians – the Andrew Fisher Applied Policy Institute for Ageing* measure, announced in the 2013-14 Budget.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Apply the One-Week Ordinary Waiting Period to all Working Age Payments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.2	4.7	1.7	1.7	1.7
Department of Social Services	0.1	-46.2	-64.8	-66.1	-64.7
Total — Expense	0.3	-41.4	-63.1	-64.4	-63.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$231.7 million over five years by applying the One-Week Ordinary Waiting Period (OWP) to all Working Age Payments from 1 October 2014.

All claimants of Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance are required to wait one-week before receiving payment, unless the claimant is exempt or the waiting period is waived. This measure will extend the OWP to claimants of Parenting Payment, Widow Allowance and Youth Allowance (other). This measure will also remove the current rule that enables the OWP to be served concurrently with other applicable waiting periods.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Cease indexation of the Clean Energy Supplement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.5	1.8	-	-	-
Department of Agriculture	-	..	..	..	..
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-2.8	-5.2	-7.3	-9.2
Department of Social Services	-	-41.3	-86.5	-140.4	-188.6
Total — Expense	0.5	-42.3	-91.7	-147.8	-197.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$479.1 million over five years by removing further indexation from payment of the Clean Energy Supplement (CES). This will fix the rate of payment at the relevant rate payable prior to 1 July 2014.

The CES is paid to all recipients of social welfare payments.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Certain Concessions for Pensioners and Seniors Card Holders

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-	-	-	-
Department of the Treasury	-	-303.6	-314.4	-326.6	-337.6
Total — Expense	-	-303.6	-314.4	-326.6	-337.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.3 billion over four years by terminating the *National Partnership Agreement on Certain Concessions for Pensioners Concession Card and Seniors Card Holders*, from 1 July 2014. This Agreement contributes to state and territory government provision of certain concessions for pensioners and seniors.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Commonwealth Seniors Health Card — annual indexation of income thresholds

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	5.3	13.1	21.1	28.4
Department of Health	-	1.9	4.1	6.8	9.4
Department of Human Services	..	1.3	0.5	0.8	1.0
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.3	0.4	0.6	0.7
Total — Expense	..	8.8	18.2	29.2	39.5

The Government will provide \$95.8 million over five years from 2013-14 to index current income limits for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card by the Consumer Price Index from September 2014. This will allow more retirees access to medicines listed on the Pharmaceuticals Benefits Scheme at a concessional rate.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy to Index the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card*.

Commonwealth Seniors Health Card — include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	..	2.8	..	..	-0.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
Department of Social Services	-	-0.3	-1.6	-3.3	-5.1
Department of Health	-	-0.4	-2.0	-4.4	-7.0
Total — Expense	..	2.3	-3.6	-7.9	-12.3
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	0.5	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$20.9 million over five years by including untaxed superannuation income in the assessment of income to determine eligibility for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CSHC) from 1 January 2015. The assessment of superannuation income will be the same for CSHC holders as for Age Pension recipients and will align with the 2013-14 Budget measure to deem the balances of account-based superannuation of pensioners from 1 January 2015.

All superannuation account-based income streams held by CSHC holders before the implementation date will be grandfathered under the existing rules.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Cessation of the Seniors Supplement — Commonwealth Seniors Health Card holders

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	3.6	-	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-24.9	-23.9	-22.9	-21.8
Department of Social Services	..	-220.1	-235.8	-253.2	-260.4
Total — Expense	0.1	-241.4	-259.7	-276.1	-282.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.1 billion over five years from 2013-14 by ceasing the Seniors Supplement for holders of the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CSHC) from 20 September 2014. Eligible seniors who do not receive a pension will continue to be eligible for a concession card.

CSHC holders will still receive the Clean Energy Supplement and a range of concessional benefits including lower co-payments for medicines on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme and access to the lower threshold for the extended Medicare Safety Net.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Community Business Partnership — re-establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5

The Government will provide \$6.0 million over four years to re-establish the Community Business Partnership to advise the Government on philanthropy in Australia. The Community Business Partnership, to be chaired by the Prime Minister, will bring together prominent business and community leaders to provide leadership and high level advice for encouraging growth in volunteering and philanthropy and promote partnerships between business and community organisations.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Plan to Encourage Great Philanthropy and Strengthen Australia's Charities and Community Groups*.

Community Development Financial Institutions Pilot Project — one year extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	1.5	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$1.5 million to extend the Community Development Financial Institutions Pilot Project for one year from 1 July 2014. Community Development Financial Institutions provide small loans and financial literacy education services to individuals who are not able to access affordable and fair financial products and services or who may resort to relying on riskier credit sources.

Disability and Carers Industry Advisory Council — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2

The Government will provide \$0.9 million over four years to establish the Disability and Carers Industry Advisory Council (DCIAC). The DCIAC will be co-chaired by a respected industry expert and the Assistant Minister for Social Services. The DCIAC will provide advice and recommendations to Government on proposed legislation and policies affecting the disability and carers sectors.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Disability and Carers*.

Disability Employment Services — Disability Management Services — partial tender

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	7.0	0.1	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	1.4	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$8.5 million over two years (including \$1.4 million in capital funding in 2014-15) to conduct a partial tender for the Disability Management Services component of Disability Employment Services. The tendered services will be for the period 2 March 2015 to 4 March 2018.

Disability Support Pension — compulsory participation requirements for recipients aged under 35 years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	6.5	6.0	1.5	-1.0
Department of Human Services	0.4	5.9	3.3	2.2	2.2
Department of Employment	-	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.7
Total — Expense	0.4	12.8	9.9	4.4	1.8

The Government will provide funding of \$29.3 million over five years from 2013-14 to introduce compulsory activities for Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients under 35 years of age with an assessed work capacity of eight hours or more a week who have a participation plan. These activities will vary depending on a person's circumstances and will focus on obtaining employment. Sanctions for non-compliance will be introduced.

DSP recipients with a severe impairment and an assessed work capacity of less than eight hours a week will be exempt.

This measure forms part of the Government's broader welfare reform agenda.

Any savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Disability Support Pension — reduced portability

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	8.8	4.1	3.8	4.3
Department of Social Services	-	0.1	-8.6	-12.2	-12.8
Total — Expense	0.1	8.9	-4.4	-8.4	-8.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$12.3 million over five years by reducing the amount of time Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients can leave Australia and still receive DSP. Recipients will receive DSP for a maximum of four weeks in a 12 month period should they travel overseas. All DSP recipients who leave Australia on or after 1 January 2015 will be subject to the new rules. Currently, DSP can be paid for absences from Australia for up to six weeks, on multiple occasions in any one year.

Portability extension and exception provisions, which allow a longer or unlimited portability period under special circumstances, will continue to apply.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Disability Support Pension — review recipients aged under 35 years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.4	12.6	8.5	-	-
Department of Employment	-	1.1	1.9	2.4	2.7
Department of Social Services	-	1.1	2.1	7.0	6.7
Total — Expense	0.4	14.8	12.4	9.4	9.4

The Government will provide \$46.4 million over five years from 2013-14 to review, against current eligibility criteria, Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients aged under 35 years who were granted DSP between 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2011. Recipients who are granted continued eligibility following this review will be required to complete a programme of activities to build their work capacity. The measure will terminate on 30 June 2019.

Recipients granted DSP before 1 January 2008 or who have a severe impairment with work capacity assessment of less than eight hours a week will be exempt.

This measure forms part of the Government's broader welfare reform agenda.

Discretionary Grant Programme Reform

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-51.9	-57.1	-71.0	-60.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$240.0 million over four years by reforming discretionary grant programmes administered by the Department of Social Services. This will consolidate existing grants to create more efficient and effective programmes which will reduce red tape for service providers and remove the duplication of funding and services.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Education Entry Payment — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.8	0.8	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	-	-9.5	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2
Total — Expense	0.8	-8.7	-19.2	-19.2	-19.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$65.4 million over five years from 2013-14 by ceasing the Education Entry Payment from 1 January 2015.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Family Payment Reform — better targeting of Family Tax Benefit Part B

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	3.4	-1.8	-2.3	-4.2
Department of Social Services	-	0.4	-377.4	-419.8	-427.7
Total — Expense	-	3.7	-379.2	-422.0	-431.9
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-	8.0	8.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 billion over four years by reducing the Family Tax Benefit Part B (FTB-B) primary earner income limit from \$150,000 per annum to \$100,000 per annum, from 1 July 2015. The income threshold for the Dependent (Invalid and Carer) Tax Offset will also be reduced to \$100,000 as it is linked to the FTB primary income earner limit.

This reform will better target assistance to families on lower incomes and will improve the ongoing sustainability of family payments.

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The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Family Payment Reform — limit Family Tax Benefit Part B to families with children under six years of age

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.9	16.6	16.8	9.1	-21.8
Department of Social Services	-	0.6	-87.2	-244.8	-1,578.8
Total — Expense	0.9	17.1	-70.5	-235.7	-1,600.6

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.9 billion over five years by limiting Family Tax Benefit Part B (FTB-B) to families whose youngest child is younger than six years of age from 1 July 2015. As a transitional arrangement, families with a youngest child aged six and over on 30 June 2015 will remain eligible for FTB-B for two years.

This measure encourages increased workforce participation by primary carers when their youngest child reaches primary school age.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

See also the related expense measure titled *Family Payment Reform – new Family Tax Benefit allowance* in the Social Services Portfolio.

Family Payment Reform — limit the Large Family Supplement to families with four or more children

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	1.4	1.9	0.5	0.2
Department of Social Services	-	0.4	-124.7	-125.1	-128.2
Department of Health	-	-	-0.2	-1.0	-2.8
Total — Expense	-	1.9	-123.1	-125.7	-130.8

The Government will achieve savings of \$377.7 million over four years by limiting the Family Tax Benefit Part A Large Family Supplement (currently \$313.90 per child per annum) to families with four or more children from 1 July 2015. The Large Family Supplement will be paid in respect of the fourth and each subsequent child in a family.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Family Payment Reform — maintain Family Tax Benefit payment rates for two years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	1.2	1.9	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1
Department of Health	-	-0.3	-1.2	-4.5	-4.7
Department of Social Services	-	-398.8	-718.5	-730.4	-740.6
Total — Expense	1.2	-397.3	-720.0	-736.1	-746.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$2.6 billion over four years by maintaining current Family Tax Benefit (FTB) payment rates for two years from 1 July 2014. Under this measure, indexation of the maximum and base rates of FTB Part A, and the rate of FTB Part B will be paused until 1 July 2016.

This reform will improve the ongoing sustainability of the family payments system.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Family Payment Reform — new Family Tax Benefit allowance

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.4	11.4	8.1	3.3	3.5
Department of Social Services	-	0.5	8.1	29.6	90.1
Total — Expense	0.4	11.9	16.2	32.9	93.6

The Government will provide \$155.0 million over four years for a new allowance for single parents on the maximum rate of Family Tax Benefit (FTB) Part A whose youngest child is aged between six and 12 years old from the point when they become ineligible for FTB Part B. This allowance will provide \$750 for each child aged between six and 12 years old in an eligible family from 1 July 2015.

See also the related savings measure titled *Family Payment Reform – limit Family Tax Benefit Part B to families with children under six years of age* in the Social Services Portfolio.

Family Payment Reform — remove the Family Tax Benefit Part A per child add-on

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	0.7	0.7	0.2	0.2
Department of Social Services	-	0.4	-76.7	-69.3	-62.2
Department of Health	-	-	-0.5	-1.5	-3.2
Total — Expense	-	1.0	-76.4	-70.6	-65.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$211.2 million over four years by removing the Family Tax Benefit Part A per child add-on to the higher income free threshold for each additional child from 1 July 2015.

This reform will reduce complexity and improve the ongoing sustainability of the family payments system.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Family Payment Reform — revise Family Tax Benefit end-of-year supplements

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.6	2.3	16.2	9.9	6.0
Department of Social Services	-	..	-410.0	-399.0	-424.5
Department of Health	-	-	-0.8	-2.8	-7.5
Total — Expense	0.6	2.3	-394.5	-391.9	-425.9

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 billion over four years by revising the Family Tax Benefit (FTB) end-of-year supplements to their original values and ceasing indexation from 1 July 2015.

The revised supplements will provide \$600 per annum per FTB Part A child and \$300 per family per annum for each FTB Part B family.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Grants Management Platform Business Case

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	2.1	-	-	-
Department of Finance	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total — Expense	-	2.2	0.1	0.1	0.1

The Government will provide \$2.1 million in 2014-15 for the Department of Social Services to develop a second pass business case to further scope options to replace its grants management platform with a more flexible and integrated system.

The Government will also provide \$0.5 million over four years to the Department of Finance to apply the Gateway Review Process to this project.

Housing Help for Seniors — pilot — reversal

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-0.7	-1.5	-2.6	-3.6	-3.1
Department of Human Services	0.5	-2.0	-2.4	-2.4	-1.5
Department of Social Services	-	-9.3	-28.9	-50.9	-63.2
Total — Expense	-0.2	-12.8	-33.9	-56.9	-67.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	<i>-1.5</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>-</i>

The Government will achieve savings of \$173.1 million over five years (including \$1.5 million in capital savings in 2013-14) by not proceeding with the *Supporting Senior Australians – Housing Help for Seniors – pilot* measure, announced in the *2013-14 Budget*, and due to commence on 1 July 2014.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Improving the allocation of home care places

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	36.3	116.2	-3.0	-149.5

The Government will bring forward the allocation of a number of home care places to allow for a more consistent annual release of operational home care places across the period 2014-15 to 2017-18. The number of new home care places currently allocated for release beyond the forward estimates will not be affected by this measure.

This measure is Budget neutral over the forward estimates.

Income Management — one year extension and expansion to Ceduna, South Australia

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	76.3	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	-	24.8	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	101.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$101.1 million in 2014-15 to extend income management in existing locations for one year.

This will continue income management in the Northern Territory, and in trial sites in Perth and the Kimberley region, Laverton, and Ngaanyatjarra Lands of Western Australia and Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands in South Australia.

Income Management will also be expanded to the Ceduna Region in South Australia from 1 July 2014.

Income management in Greater Shepparton, Logan, Rockhampton, Playford, and Bankstown is already funded until 30 June 2015 and Cape York until 31 December 2015.

Increase the Age Pension qualifying age to 70 years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	-	-	-	-

From 1 July 2025, the Age Pension qualifying age will continue to rise by six months every two years, from the qualifying age of 67 years that will apply by that time, to gradually reach a qualifying age of 70 years by 1 July 2035.

People born before 1 July 1958 will not be affected by this measure.

This measure has a long implementation timeframe to allow people who would be affected to consider their retirement income arrangements.

This measure will contribute to the repair of the Budget over the medium to long term.

Increasing the age of eligibility for Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.3	17.1	39.0	48.8	46.3
Department of Social Services	-	-26.1	-183.2	-232.2	-218.1
Total — Expense	0.3	-9.1	-144.2	-183.4	-171.7

The Government will achieve savings of \$508.1 million over five years by increasing the age of eligibility for Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance from 22 to 24 years of age, from 1 January 2015. Current recipients of Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance, aged 22 to 24 years of age on 31 December 2014, will remain on those allowances.

This measure will strengthen the incentive for young unemployed people to participate in education, training and employment.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Index Pension and Pension Equivalent Payments by the Consumer Price Index

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	1.8	1.6	0.1	2.0	3.1
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-	-65.1
Department of Social Services	-	-1.1	-16.4	-43.9	-331.3
Total — Expense	1.8	0.5	-16.2	-41.8	-393.2

The Government will achieve savings of \$449.0 million over five years by indexing pension and equivalent payments and Parenting Payment Single by the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

This measure will commence on 1 July 2014 for Parenting Payment Single recipients and from 1 September 2017 for Bereavement Allowance and pension payments such as: Age Pension; Disability Support Pension; Carer Payment and Veterans' Affairs pensions.

Currently, these payments are indexed in line with the higher of the increases in the CPI, Male Total Average Weekly Earnings or the Pensioner and Beneficiary Living Cost Index.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Limit the Six-Week Portability Period for Student Payments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.2	3.7	0.3	0.1	0.1
Department of Social Services	0.1	-29.4	-41.0	-42.8	-44.4
Total — Expense	0.2	-25.7	-40.7	-42.7	-44.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$153.1 million over five years by limiting the Six-Week Portability Period for Student Payments from 1 October 2014.

Currently, students are able to receive income support while travelling overseas for up to six weeks. This measure limits student payments to students travelling overseas to those undertaking eligible study or training that counts toward their Australian qualification, receiving eligible medical treatment, or attending an acute family crisis.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Maintain eligibility thresholds for Australian Government payments for three years

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	1.9	4.5	0.7	1.5	4.3
Department of Agriculture	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-	-4.7
Department of Health	-	-0.1	-0.2	-0.5	-0.6
Department of Education	-	-32.9	-49.2	-71.4	-76.9
Department of Social Services	-	-132.4	-245.9	-374.6	-500.7
Total — Expense	1.9	-160.9	-294.7	-445.1	-578.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.5 billion over four years by maintaining eligibility thresholds for the Australian Government payments for three years.

Eligibility thresholds for non-pension payments will be maintained for three years from 1 July 2014. Major non-pension payments include Family Tax Benefit, Child Care Benefit, Child Care Rebate, Newstart Allowance, Parenting Payments and Youth Allowance.

Eligibility thresholds for pension and pension related payments will be maintained for three years from 1 July 2017. Major pension related payments include the Aged Pension, Carer Payment, Disability Support Pension and the Veterans' Service Pension.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Homelessness Research Strategy — reduced funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-3.1	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.1 million by returning uncommitted funding for the National Homelessness Research Strategy to the Budget. Homelessness research activities under way in 2013-14 are not affected.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness — extension

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	115.0	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	115.0	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$115.0 million in 2014-15 to extend the *National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness* for a further year. This will ensure critical homelessness services continue to support some of Australia's most vulnerable people. This will provide much needed certainty for homelessness services.

Further information can be found in the press release of 30 March 2014 issued by the Minister for Social Services.

National Rental Affordability Scheme — discontinue incentive allocations

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Social Services	-	-	-7.2	-19.6	-20.2
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-28.8	-78.5	-80.9
Total — Expense	-	-	-36.0	-98.1	-101.1

The Government will achieve savings of \$235.2 million over three years by not proceeding with Round 5 of the *National Rental Affordability Scheme* (NRAS). Funding for incentives from earlier rounds that are uncontracted or not used within agreed timeframes will be returned to the Budget. Funding for tenanted NRAS properties is not affected.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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National Respite for Carers Programme — redirection

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-7.7	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$7.7 million by not proceeding with further grants rounds in 2013-14 under the *National Respite for Carers Programme*, with \$965.1 million over four years remaining in the Programme.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Pensioner Education Supplement — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.1	-1.2	-2.7	-2.5	-2.4
Department of Social Services	-	-41.1	-79.8	-77.7	-74.0
Total — Expense	0.1	-42.3	-82.5	-80.2	-76.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$281.2 million over five years from 2013-14 by ceasing the Pensioner Education Supplement from 1 January 2015.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Remove Grandfathering of Student Start-Up Scholarship Recipients

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	3.7	0.5	0.1	-
Australian Taxation Office	-	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
Department of Social Services	-	-218.4	-202.0	-55.9	-16.6
Total — Expense	-	-214.5	-201.3	-55.6	-16.4
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Department of Social Services	-	-	2.8	5.9	7.3
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
Department of Human Services	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Revenue	-	-	2.8	5.9	7.3

The Government will achieve savings of \$503.8 million over five years (including \$15.9 million in revenue savings over three years) by ceasing grandfathering arrangements for recipients of the Student Start-up Scholarship (SSS) from 1 January 2015.

A decision was made in the 2013-14 Budget to convert the SSS into an income contingent loan for full-time higher education students in receipt of Youth Allowance, Austudy or ABSTUDY.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Remove Relocation Scholarship Assistance for Students Relocating Within and Between Major Cities

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.2	6.2	0.7	0.7	0.7
Department of Social Services	-	-55.5	-77.0	-81.0	-84.9
Total — Expense	0.2	-49.3	-76.4	-80.4	-84.2
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	-	..	..	..
Total — Revenue	-	-	..	..	..

The Government will achieve savings of \$290.1 million over five years by removing Relocation Scholarship Assistance for students relocating within and between major cities.

Access to the Relocation Scholarship will remain available to students moving from or to regional areas for the purpose of undertaking higher education. Additionally, assistance will be available to students from major cities who have to move to pursue courses that are only offered by regional education providers.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Reprioritising the Aged Care Workforce Supplement

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-77.4	104.8	21.5	-43.2	-59.6
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-10.8	14.2	-0.3	-10.5	-12.0
Department of Human Services	0.1	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-88.1	119.0	21.1	-53.7	-71.6

The Government will reprioritise funding of \$1.5 billion over five years from the Aged Care Workforce Supplement (Supplement) by increasing aged care subsidies for home and residential care providers and relevant community programmes by 2.4 per cent on 1 July 2014 and by providing an ongoing 20 per cent increase in the Viability Supplement to eligible residential aged care providers. The Government will also provide non-ongoing funding of \$0.8 million to meet commitments to those providers that signed onto the Supplement.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Healthy Life, Better Ageing*.

Reset the Assets Test Deeming Rate Thresholds

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	2.0	-	-	1.6	13.8
Department of Social Services	-	-	-	0.1	-45.6
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-	-4.6
Total — Expense	2.0	-	-	1.8	-36.5

The Government will achieve savings of \$32.7 million over five years by resetting the deeming thresholds used in the pension assets test to \$30,000 for singles and \$50,000 for couples from 20 September 2017.

This measure ensures better targeting of pension payments, by tightening the assets test.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Social Security Agreement with India

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	-	2.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
Department of Social Services	-	0.2	0.6	0.6	0.7
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Expense	-	2.7	1.2	1.1	1.2
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-0.6	-1.4	-2.8
Total — Revenue	-	-	-0.6	-1.4	-2.8
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	0.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$11.7 million over four years to establish a new bilateral *Social Security Agreement* with the Republic of India. The new Agreement will cover provisions relating to the age pension, and remove the double coverage of superannuation contributions for workers seconded to either country.

This measure aligns with the Government's commitment to reduce the administrative burden for Australian businesses while still providing appropriate social security protection and superannuation entitlements for Australian citizens.

The *Social Security Agreement* will commence from 1 July 2015, subject to the completion of legal and treaty processes for both countries.

Stronger Participation Incentives for Job Seekers under 30

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Human Services	0.4	41.7	67.6	65.7	63.0
Department of Employment	-	19.4	152.2	184.4	215.0
Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet	-	6.0	17.2	19.8	19.8
Department of Social Services	-	-293.0	-582.2	-622.5	-626.6
Total — Expense	0.4	-225.9	-345.1	-352.5	-328.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Employment</i>	-	4.7	-	-	-
<i>Department of Human Services</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Department of Social Services</i>	-	-	-	-	-
<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Total — Capital	-	4.7	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.2 billion over four years by changing access to income support for people under 30 years of age, to encourage young people with full work capacity to be earning, learning or participating in Work for the Dole.

From 1 January 2015, all new claimants of Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (Other) who are under 30 years of age must demonstrate appropriate job search and participation in employment services support for six months before receiving payments. Prior workforce participation may reduce the waiting period. After six months, claimants will be required to participate in 25 hours per week Work for the Dole to receive income support, and following this may continue to access employment services for a further six month period, including access to a wage subsidy in lieu of income support.

From 1 July 2015, existing recipients of Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (Other) who are under 30 years of age will also become subject to these new arrangements. These people will have already served six months on Work for the Dole.

Payment recipients who have a partial capacity to work, are the principal carer of a child, are part-time apprentices, are in education or are job seekers in Disability Employment Services or Job Services Australia Streams 3 and 4 will be exempt.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Stronger Relationships Trial

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	19.9	0.1	-	-

The Government will provide \$20.0 million over two years to assist couples to access marriage and relationship education and counselling. Under this trial, the Government will issue \$200 vouchers to up to 100,000 couples between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2015.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 28 February 2014 issued by the Minister for Social Services.

Young Carer Bursary Programme

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.5

The Government will provide \$3.0 million over four years to fund a bursary programme to assist young carers to continue their studies by relieving the financial pressure on them to undertake part-time work in addition to their education and caring responsibilities. The funding will provide 150 bursary payments of \$4,000, \$6,000 or \$10,000 per annum for three years from January 2015. The eligibility criteria will target young carers up to 25 years of age in greatest financial need.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Disability and Carers*.

TREASURY

Abolish the Seafarer Tax Offset

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-4.0	-4.0	-4.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$12.0 million over three years by abolishing the Seafarer Tax Offset from 1 July 2015. In underlying cash terms, the saving is \$8.0 million over the forward estimates period, due to the timing of the tax offset claims.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-37.2	-32.4	6.3	3.1	-

The Government will provide up to \$12.5 million over three years from 2014-15 to the Queensland Government to provide grants to bodies corporate to undertake engineering assessments of strata-title properties in North Queensland. The assessments are to identify risks that can be mitigated.

The assessments will provide better information to insurers which will enable them to set premiums that more accurately reflect individual property risks. The assessments will also help residents of strata-title properties to be fully aware of the risks to their properties from natural disasters. This will provide bodies corporate with an opportunity to take necessary action to mitigate those risks and reduce their risk assessment by insurers, and ultimately reduce insurance premiums in some cases.

The costs associated with this measure and the related expense measure titled *Addressing Insurance Costs in North Queensland – establishment of an insurance comparison website*, will be offset by savings of \$72.2 million over two years from 2013-14 from the cessation of the National Insurance Affordability Initiative.

See also the related expense measure titled *Addressing Insurance Costs in North Queensland – establishment of an insurance comparison website*.

Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland — establishment of an insurance comparison website

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of the Treasury</i>	-	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>	<i>nfp</i>

The Government will provide funding over four years (including a capital component) to the Department of the Treasury to develop an insurance comparison website on strata-title and home building and contents insurance offerings in North Queensland.

Insurance comparison sites can reduce search and transaction costs for consumers and allow consumers to make more informed decisions about their insurance purchase.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication due to commercial sensitivity.

See also the related measure titled *Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland*.

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	-	-	-	-	17.7
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Competition and Consumer Commission</i>	-	-	-	-	0.6

The Government will provide funding of \$68.5 million over four years from 2014-15 to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to fund its operations. This funding will assist the ACCC to monitor prices and protect consumer interests in relation to the repeal of the carbon tax. The ACCC has put in place a range of financial management and governance reforms to ensure that it operates within its agreed budget from 2014-15.

This funding is in addition to the \$25.3 million provided in the 2013-14 Additional Estimates for the ACCC to fund its operating costs in 2013-14.

Funding for this measure for 2014-15 to 2016-17 was included as a 'decision taken but not yet announced' in the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14*.

Australian Securities and Investments Commission — savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	3.0	-26.0	-32.5	-32.1	-32.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$120.1 million over five years by reducing funding to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

ASIC will adjust its priorities to ensure it continues to meet its statutory objectives.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Australian Taxation Office — savings

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-16.8	-42.0	-84.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$142.8 million over three years from 2015-16 by reducing the Australian Taxation Office's (ATO) departmental resourcing.

The ATO will bring forward staff reductions that were already planned in response to efficiency dividends and decisions of the former Government. Under the former Government total staffing reductions of 4,700 were to occur over the forward estimates period to 2017-18. This included a reduction of 900 in 2013-14, 500 in 2014-15, 1,600 in 2015-16, 1,200 in 2016-17, and 500 in 2017-18.

The Government will bring forward the reduction in staffing numbers that were due to occur in 2015-16. As these staff reductions have already been factored into the forward estimates, there will be no net increase to the total staff reductions planned. Staffing reductions do not include the impact of the additional 0.25 per cent efficiency dividend announced by the Government in the 2013 Federal Election.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Brisbane Cross River Rail and Melbourne Metro Projects Advisory Board — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	-1.6	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$1.6 million in 2014-15 by ceasing the *Brisbane Cross River Rail and Melbourne Metro Projects – Advisory Board* measure, announced in the 2013-14 Budget.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Exploration Development Incentive — Introduction

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	25.0	35.0	40.0	-

The Government will provide \$100.0 million over three years to introduce an Exploration Development Incentive (EDI). The EDI will allow small mineral exploration companies with no taxable income to provide exploration credits, paid as a refundable tax offset, to their Australian resident shareholders for greenfields mineral exploration.

This measure is designed to encourage increased mining exploration and delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Resources and Energy*.

Extension of Unfair Contract Provisions to Small Businesses

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4

The Government will provide \$1.4 million over four years to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission to support the extension of unfair contract term provisions available to consumers under the *Australian Consumer Law* to small businesses.

Small businesses can face many of the same issues as individual consumers when negotiating contracts with big businesses.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the *Coalition's Policy for Small Business*.

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First Home Saver Accounts scheme — cessation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-1.0	-18.0	-36.1	-37.1	-38.1
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	-	2.0	2.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$134.3 million over five years by abolishing the First Home Saver Accounts scheme due to lower than forecast take-up rates. New accounts opened from Budget night will not be eligible for concessions, with the Government co-contribution to cease from 1 July 2014 and tax concessions and the income and asset test exemptions for government benefits associated with these accounts to cease from 1 July 2015. In underlying cash terms, the saving is \$113.3 million over the forward estimates period due to the timing of the claims, including \$54.3 million in departmental resourcing.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Infrastructure Growth Package — Asset Recycling Initiative — establishment

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	335.0	1,278.0	1,285.0	1,007.0

The Government will provide \$5.0 billion over five years to 2018-19 (including \$1.1 billion in 2018-19) to establish an *Asset Recycling Initiative* (the Initiative), which will provide state and territory governments with incentive payments to unlock capital from state-owned assets and reinvest the proceeds in new productivity-enhancing economic infrastructure.

The Initiative will be supported by a National Partnership Agreement with participating states and territories that will provide incentive payments set at 15 per cent of the sale price of the asset, paid in two instalments on the completion of set milestones. Incentive payments will be available for asset sales and reinvestment programmes agreed with the Commonwealth prior to 30 June 2016. The Initiative is time limited and will close at the end of 2018-19, or once funds have been exhausted.

See also related expense measure titled *Infrastructure Growth Package – Asset Recycling Fund – establishment*.

Further information can be found in the press release of 28 March 2014 issued by the Treasurer.

Inspector-General of Taxation — transfer of tax complaints handling

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Inspector General of Taxation	-	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.7
Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman	-	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6	-0.6
Total — Expense	-	0.1	..	..	..

The Government will provide \$0.1 million over four years from 2014-15 to transfer the function for taxation complaints case handling from the Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman to the Inspector-General of Taxation.

This will enhance the systematic review role of the Inspector-General of Taxation and provide taxpayers with more specialised and focused complaint handling for tax matters.

Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of the Treasury	-	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0

The Government will provide \$8.0 million over four years to the Department of the Treasury to transform the existing Office of the Australian Small Business Commissioner into a Small Business and Family Enterprise Ombudsman with additional functions and powers.

The new Ombudsman will be a Commonwealth-wide advocate for smaller enterprises, a single entry point agency for small business to access Australian Government small business programmes and support, a contributor to making Australian Government laws and regulations more small business friendly and a 'concierge' for dispute resolution.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment.

Further information can be found in the press release of 18 October 2013 issued by the Minister for Small Business.

Smaller Government — National Competition Council Secretariat — transfer

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
National Competition Council	-	-0.8	-0.9	-0.9	-1.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$3.6 million over four years by transferring the National Competition Council (NCC) Secretariat to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).

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The ACCC will provide secretariat support to the NCC Councillors and will establish appropriate safeguards to retain the independence of the NCC.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

See also the related expense measure titled *Australian Competition and Consumer Commission – additional funding*.

Taxation treatment of biodiesel — modification

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Taxation Office	-	-	-52.0	-53.0	-51.0
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>	-	-	0.3	0.3	0.3
<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>	-	-	-0.3	-0.3	-0.3
<i>Total — Revenue</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve net savings of \$156.0 million over four years by reducing grants made under the Cleaner Fuels Grant Scheme to zero and reducing the excise on biodiesel to zero from 1 July 2015. From 1 July 2016, the excise rate for biodiesel will be increased for five years until it reaches 50 per cent of the energy content equivalent tax rate. The excise equivalent customs duty for imported biodiesel will continue to be taxed at the full energy content equivalent tax rate.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

See also the related expense measure titled *Ethanol Production Grants Programme – cessation* in the Industry Portfolio.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Building Excellence in Support and Training — additional funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-	-	-	1.0

The Government will provide an additional \$1.0 million in 2017-18 for veterans' advocacy funding through the *Building Excellence in Support and Training Programme*.

This measure delivers on the Government's election commitment and builds upon the *Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook 2013-14* measure titled *Building Excellence in Support and Training – restore funding*.

Dental and Allied Health Provider Fees — defer and align indexation

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-4.4	-9.4	-9.0	-12.8

The Government will achieve savings of up to \$35.7 million over four years by deferring indexation of Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) dental and allied health provider payments to 1 July 2016. This measure will align indexation of payments to dental and allied health providers with the indexation arrangements for DVA medical services.

The savings from this measure will be invested by the Government in the *Medical Research Future Fund*.

Department of Veterans' Affairs Enhanced Compliance Programme — additional reviews

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-4.1	-10.4	-13.6	-14.0

The Government will achieve savings of \$42.1 million over four years by increasing the annual number of *Enhanced Compliance Programme* reviews from 12,000 to 20,000 from 1 July 2014. The *Enhanced Compliance Programme* is in addition to other standard reviews and is targeted toward veterans at high risk of changes in their financial circumstances to ensure that a change in their assets and earnings does not result in overpayments.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — new listings and price amendments

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-0.1	-0.3	-0.4

The Government will achieve savings of \$0.9 million over five years, by agreeing to a number of new listings on the Repatriation Schedule of Pharmaceutical Benefits (the Schedule) from 1 June 2014. 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 Repatriation Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (RPBS).

Savings will be achieved primarily due to the cost of new items being less than comparable items already listed.

The Government has also agreed to small price increases for suppliers from 1 June 2014 on a range of items already listed on the Schedule.

The RPBS was established to meet the specific clinical needs of veterans with health conditions arising from war or military service.

Smaller Government — Defence Service Homes Insurance Scheme — independent scoping study

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.2	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$0.2 million in 2014-15 to undertake a scoping study on the future management and operations of the Defence Service Homes Insurance Scheme (DSHIS) by an insurance industry expert. The scoping study will inform the Government on options for more efficient DSHIS operations.

Veterans' Disability Pensions — commencement of payments from date of claim

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Social Services	-	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.4
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-5.8	-11.5	-11.4	-11.2
Total — Expense	-	-5.6	-11.2	-11.0	-10.9
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$38.8 million over four years by paying new claims and applications for an increase in the rate of Veterans' Disability Pension effective from the date of lodgement of the claim or application. This will commence from 1 January 2015 and will align the payment arrangements for the Disability Pension with those for the Service Pension for veterans.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

Veterans' Incapacity Payments — review by medical specialist after 12 months

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	-0.1	-2.3	-4.5	-5.8

The Government will improve workforce participation and achieve savings of \$12.7 million over four years by introducing a requirement for medical specialist reviews of Department of Veterans' Affairs clients who have been in continuous receipt of incapacity payments for 12 months or longer. Incapacity payments are military compensation payments for economic loss resulting from an inability (or reduced ability) to work because of an injury or illness.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

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Western Front Interpretive Centre — Villers-Bretonneux, France — initial funding

Expense (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Veterans' Affairs	-	0.8	-	-	-
<i>Related capital (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>	-	6.1	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$6.9 million in 2014-15 to develop a detailed business case for the construction of an Australian Western Front Interpretive Centre at Villers-Bretonneux in France to be an enduring legacy of the Centenary of ANZAC. This funding will also enable the commencement of land acquisition, and preliminary project development and design activities.

PART 3: CAPITAL MEASURES

Table 3: Capital measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
AGRICULTURE						
<i>Department of Agriculture</i>						
49	A Competitive Agriculture Sector — stronger biosecurity and quarantine arrangements(b)	-	0.1	..	..	..
	Portfolio total	-	0.1	..	..	..
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S						
<i>Attorney-General's Department</i>						
62	Royal Commission into Trade Union Governance and Corruption — establishment(b)	5.0	0.3	-	-	-
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements(b)	-	0.4	-	-	-
<i>Australian Federal Police</i>						
56	Australian Federal Police — savings from efficiencies(b)	-	0.3	..	..	..
56	Australian Federal Police officers — cessation of additional recruitment(b)	-	-2.5	-	-	-
59	Hobart Airport(b)	-	-6.9	-	-	-
60	National Anti-Gang Squad(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
65	Timor-Leste Police Development Programme — continuation(b)	-	0.1	..	-	-
<i>Australian Financial Security Authority</i>						
228	Australian Financial Security Authority — departmental capital budget supplementation	-	4.8	2.3	2.5	2.5
	Portfolio total	5.0	-3.4	2.4	2.5	2.5
COMMUNICATIONS						
<i>Department of Communications</i>						
67	Enhancing Online Safety for Children(b)	-	0.2	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	0.2	-	-	-
CROSS PORTFOLIO						
<i>Various Agencies</i>						
69	Efficiency Dividend — a further temporary increase of 0.25 per cent(b)	-	-2.6	-5.4	-8.2	-8.6
	Portfolio total	-	-2.6	-5.4	-8.2	-8.6
DEFENCE						
<i>Department of Defence</i>						
229	Defence funding profile	500.0	300.0	550.0	150.0	-2,020.0
229	Defence real estate sales — direction of proceeds towards Defence projects	45.5	37.9	45.2	13.5	14.1
74	Middle East Area of Operations — continuation of Australia's military contribution(b)	-	..	-	-	-
230	United States Force Posture Initiative	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	545.5	337.9	595.2	163.5	-2,005.9

Table 3: Capital measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	EDUCATION					
	<i>Department of Education</i>					
231	Upholding quality — Higher Education Information Management System — expansion	-	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0
	Portfolio total	-	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0
	EMPLOYMENT					
	<i>Department of Employment</i>					
97	Restart — boosting the wage subsidy for mature age job seekers(b)	-	1.2	-	-	-
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30(b)	-	4.7	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	5.9	-	-	-
	ENVIRONMENT					
	<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>					
100	Bureau of Meteorology — improved efficiency(b)	-	0.1	-	-	-
232	— supercomputer	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	<i>Department of the Environment</i>					
111	Sustainable Rural Water Use and Infrastructure Programme — reduced funding(b)	-10.1	-9.2	-	-	-98.0
	<i>Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority</i>					
104	Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority — reduced funding(b)	-	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1
	Portfolio total	-10.1	-9.2	-0.1	-0.1	-98.1
	FINANCE					
	<i>ComSuper</i>					
75	Military Superannuation — establish new accumulation arrangements(b)	-	-	1.5	1.5	-
	<i>Department of Finance</i>					
113	Improving small business access to Commonwealth contracts(b)	-	-	0.3	0.1	0.1
114	Infrastructure Growth Package — Asset Recycling Fund(b)	*	*	*	*	*
233	Smaller Government — Surplus Commonwealth Properties — divestment	-	-15.2	-9.3	-0.4	-
233	The Lodge refurbishment — additional funding	-	nfp	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-15.2	-7.5	1.2	0.1
	FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE					
	<i>Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade</i>					
118	Australia's diplomatic engagement in Afghanistan — continuation(b)	-	2.0	-	-	-
118	Baghdad Embassy — relocation(b)	-	8.2	-	-	-
234	Export Finance and Insurance Corporation — capital injection	-	-	-	-	-

Table 3: Capital measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE (continued)					
234	Relocation of the Tehran Embassy — cessation	-79.4	-	-	-	-
65	Timor-Leste Police Development Programme — continuation(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-79.4	10.3	-	-	-
	HEALTH					
	<i>Australian Sports Commission</i>					
146	Sporting Schools Initiative(b)	-	1.5	-	-	-
	<i>Department of Health</i>					
124	Aligning Australia and New Zealand Therapeutic Arrangements(b)	-	nfp	-	-	-
141	Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme — Medication Charts for Public and Private Hospitals(b)	-	0.1	-	-	-
235	Routine Replenishment of the National Medical Stockpile	-	5.7	-	-	-
146	Sporting Schools Initiative(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	7.3	-	-	-
	HUMAN SERVICES					
	<i>Department of Human Services</i>					
133	Medicare Benefits Schedule — introducing patient contributions for general practitioner, pathology and diagnostic imaging services(b)	-	5.4	2.4	-	-
140	Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record System — continuation(b)	-	1.0	-	-	-
145	Simplifying Medicare safety net arrangements(b)	-	2.0	1.6	-	-
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	8.4	4.0	-	-
	IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION					
	<i>Australian Customs and Border Protection Service</i>					
157	Smaller Government — strengthen and enhance Australia's border protection services(b)	-	-2.7	43.0	43.5	36.5
	<i>Department of Immigration and Border Protection</i>					
153	Migration Programme — allocation of places for 2014-15(b)	-	..	-	-	-
154	Offshore Biometrics Programme — expansion(b)	-	1.5	0.5	-	-
155	Onshore Immigration Detention Network — estate management plan(b)	-	-	-	-	-

Table 3: Capital measures since the 2013-14 MYEFO^(a) (continued)

Page		2013-14 \$m	2014-15 \$m	2015-16 \$m	2016-17 \$m	2017-18 \$m
	IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION (continued)					
159	Supporting Rapid Transfers and Operation Sovereign Borders(b)	-	-	-	-	-
160	Visa simplification to support the vocational education and training sector(b)	-	..	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-1.1	43.5	43.5	36.5
	INDUSTRY					
	<i>Department of Industry</i>					
164	Entrepreneurs' Infrastructure Programme — establishment(b)	-	9.2	6.5	4.3	3.3
	Portfolio total	-	9.2	6.5	4.3	3.3
	PRIME MINISTER AND CABINET					
	<i>Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet</i>					
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	<i>Office of the Australian Information Commissioner</i>					
64	Smaller Government — Privacy and Freedom of Information functions — new arrangements(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	-	-	-	-
	SOCIAL SERVICES					
	<i>Department of Social Services</i>					
189	ACT Accommodation — Department of Social Services(b)	-	-	11.6	6.9	-
195	Disability Employment Services — Disability Management Services — partial tender(b)	-	1.4	-	-	-
210	Stronger participation incentives for job seekers under 30(b)	-	-	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-	1.4	11.6	6.9	-
	TREASURY					
	<i>Australian Competition and Consumer Commission</i>					
213	Australian Competition and Consumer Commission — additional funding(b)	-	-	-	-	0.6
	<i>Australian Taxation Office</i>					
209	Social Security Agreement with India(b)	-	0.8	-	-	-
172	Trade Support Loans — establishment(b)	0.4	2.8	-	-	-
	<i>Department of the Treasury</i>					
213	Addressing insurance costs in North Queensland — establishment of an insurance comparison website(b)	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
	Portfolio total	0.4	3.6	-	-	0.6

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Page		2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
		\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
	VETERANS' AFFAIRS					
	<i>Department of Veterans' Affairs</i>					
193	Commonwealth Seniors Health Card — include untaxed superannuation income in the eligibility assessment(b)	-	0.5	-	-	-
201	Housing Help for Seniors — pilot — reversal(b)	-1.5	-	-	-	-
221	Veterans' Disability Pensions — commencement of payments from date of claim(b)	-	-	-	-	-
222	Western Front Interpretive Centre — Villers-Bretonneux, France — initial funding(b)	-	6.1	-	-	-
	Portfolio total	-1.5	6.6	-	-	-
	Decisions taken but not yet announced	-	27.5	38.9	5.0	10.9
	Depreciation expense	-	0.5	-1.9	-3.1	-2.5
	Total capital measures(c)	459.9	388.1	688.2	216.5	-2,060.2

* 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) Measures may not add due to rounding.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S

Australian Financial Security Authority — departmental capital budget supplementation

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Australian Financial Security Authority	-	4.8	2.3	2.5	2.5
<i>Related revenue (\$m)</i>					
Australian Financial Security Authority	2.4	2.4	2.3	2.5	2.5

The Government will provide \$12.1 million over four years to supplement the Australian Financial Security Authority's departmental capital budget. Funding will be used for maintaining and upgrading core IT systems used for managing personal insolvency and proceeds of crime matters.

The cost of this measure is fully offset over five years through increased cost-recovery fees and charges.

DEFENCE

Defence funding profile

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	500.0	300.0	550.0	150.0	-2,020.0

The Government is committed to rebuilding Defence and is taking decisive steps to recapitalise it after a number of years of underinvestment and deferred funding for major capability projects.

The Government will bring forward \$1.5 billion from 2017-18 and distribute it over the period 2013-14 to 2016-17. Funding of the *Approved Major Capital Investment Programme* and important capabilities to support networked operations will be accelerated to reduce the risk of capability gaps and reinforce the Government's commitment to strengthen Australia's defence force.

Bringing forward \$500 million to 2013-14 will assist Defence to fund priority foreign military asset purchases, including the Growler electronic attack aircraft, the Romeo Naval anti-submarine combat helicopter and the upgrade to the Naval Standard Missile-2 long range anti-aircraft missile.

The funds brought forward to the period 2014-15 to 2016-17 inclusive will address underinvestment in a range of important capabilities.

This measure also includes a movement of funds beyond the forward estimates period to smooth the Defence funding profile and put Defence spending back on an achievable growth path towards the Government's objective of Defence funding of 2 per cent as a share of GDP.

This measure will ensure a realistic Defence funding trajectory, with total Defence funding of \$29.2 billion in 2014-15, \$30.3 billion in 2015-16, \$30.4 billion in 2016-17 and \$32.9 billion in 2017-18.

Defence real estate sales — direction of proceeds towards Defence projects

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	45.5	37.9	45.2	13.5	14.1

The Government will direct the net proceeds from the sale of Defence real estate to approved Defence projects. Defence will receive additional funding, estimated to be \$156.2 million over five years, over and above the costs of preparing the land and buildings for sale.

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United States Force Posture Initiative

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Defence	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide funding for the up-front costs of infrastructure development for the United States Force Posture Initiatives at Robertson Barracks and RAAF Base Darwin in the Northern Territory.

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

The financial arrangements with the United States are still under negotiation. The cost of the infrastructure development is not for publication due to the commercial-in-confidence nature of the tender processes involved.

EDUCATION

Upholding quality — Higher Education Information Management System — expansion

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Education	-	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0

The Government will provide \$3.8 million over four years to enhance and expand the Higher Education Information Management System (HEIMS).

The enhancements implement the Government's response to several recommendations of the 2012 *Review of Reporting Requirements for Universities* and will establish a single national higher education data collection and information repository. The expanded information management system will improve access to data, under appropriate protocol and privacy provisions, for universities and other higher education providers.

The enhancement of HEIMS will support the Government's objective of reducing red tape in the higher education sector.

ENVIRONMENT

Bureau of Meteorology — supercomputer

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Bureau of Meteorology	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
<i>Bureau of Meteorology</i>	-	nfp	nfp	nfp	nfp
<i>Total — Expense</i>	-	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1

The Government will replace the Bureau of Meteorology’s existing supercomputer, which will reach its expected end-of-life in mid-2016. The supercomputer is used for the Bureau’s weather forecasts and warnings across Australia. The project includes the purchase and installation of the supercomputer, with a mid-life upgrade in 2018-19, associated supporting infrastructure, the progressive integration of new modelling and prediction systems, and the operation of the associated data centre and network links.

The cost of this measure will be partly met from within the existing resources of the Bureau.

The expenditure for this measure is not for publication due to commercial-in-confidence considerations.

The Government will provide a further \$0.4 million over four years to the Department of Finance for the Gateway Review Process for the implementation of the project.

FINANCE

Smaller Government — Surplus Commonwealth Properties — divestment

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	-15.2	-9.3	-0.4	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Finance</i>	-	2.2	0.1	0.1	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$22.5 million over three years through the progressive sale of a number of non-Defence surplus Commonwealth properties.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

The Lodge refurbishment — additional funding

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Finance	-	nfp	-	-	-

The Government will provide additional funding to finalise essential maintenance and refurbishment work for the Lodge which commenced in 2013. The cost of this measure is not for publication due to commercial-in-confidence considerations.

This measure extends on the *2013-14 Budget* measure titled *Maintenance work for the Lodge and the John Gorton Building*.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

Export Finance and Insurance Corporation — capital injection

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-	-	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$200.0 million of additional capital in 2014-15 to the Export Finance and Insurance Corporation (EFIC). This equity injection reverses the decision of the previous Government to take a one-off special dividend from EFIC in 2012-13 and will allow EFIC to better support Australian exporters and trade.

Relocation of the Tehran Embassy — cessation

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	-79.4	-	-	-	-

The Government will achieve savings of \$79.4 million by not proceeding with the relocation of the Australian Embassy in Tehran, following a long period of delays and cost escalations.

The savings from this measure will be redirected by the Government to repair the Budget and fund policy priorities.

HEALTH

Routine Replenishment of the National Medical Stockpile

Capital (\$m)	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
Department of Health	-	5.7	-	-	-
<i>Related expense (\$m)</i>					
<i>Department of Health</i>	-	1.8	-	-	-

The Government will provide \$7.5 million in 2014-15 for the replenishment of antidotes and antitoxins used in response to chemical, biological, radiological or nuclear events and pandemic influenza medicines as part of the National Medical Stockpile.

The National Medical Stockpile is a strategic reserve of medicines, vaccines, antidotes and protective equipment for use in the national response to a public health emergency.

See also the related expense measure titled *Reform of the Operation and Management of the National Medical Stockpile* in the Health Portfolio.

