

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Inquiry into the Australian Government's response to the COVID-19 pandemic

2019 - 2020

Division: Tax Analysis Division
Topic: Passenger movement charge
Reference: Written Question from Senator Keneally –25 September 2020, IQ20-000268

Question:

To enable the COVID Select Committee to understand the impact of the decline in revenue from the passenger movement charge, please provide a breakdown of revenue generated by the passenger movement charge and tax on superannuation for:

- a. 2016/2017 financial year
- b. 2017/2018 financial year
- c. 2018/2019 financial year
- d. 2019/2020 financial year
- e. 2020/2021 year to date

Answer:

The following table shows passenger movement charge revenue collected from all passengers departing Australia, and tax paid on departing Australia superannuation payments at the working holiday maker (WHM) rate.

	Passenger movement charge revenue from all departing passengers (\$ million)	Tax paid on departing Australia superannuation payments at the WHM rate (\$ million)
2016-17 (a)	1,028	0
2017-18	1,134	66
2018-19	1,192	77
2019-20 (b)		85

- (a) The WHM rate that applies to departing Australia superannuation payments was introduced 1 July 2017.
- (b) Passenger movement charge revenue for the 2019-20 year is not currently available but will be published in the Department of Home Affairs 2019-20 Annual Report.

Data is not currently available for the 2020-21 year.