

Question on notice no. 379

Portfolio question number: AE21-379

2020-21 Additional estimates

Legal and Constitutional Affairs Committee, Home Affairs Portfolio

Senator Nick McKim: asked the Department of Home Affairs on 22 March 2021—
What is the total cost per year, for each financial year beginning with 2012-13, that Australia has incurred under the MOUs with Nauru for offshore processing and resettlement?

Answer —

Please see the attached answer.

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
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Program 1.4: IMA Offshore Management

AE21-379 - Cost of MOUs with Nauru

Senator Nick McKim asked:

What is the total cost per year, for each financial year beginning with 2012-13, that Australia has incurred under the MOUs with Nauru for offshore processing and resettlement?

Answer:

Since 2012, Australia has incurred the following costs under the *Memorandum of Understanding between the Republic of Nauru and the Commonwealth of Australia, relating to the transfer to and assessment of persons in Nauru, and related issues (MOU)*, and the earlier 2012 MOU. Expenditure is inclusive of departmental, administered operations and capital costs.

2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m)	\$ (m) *
282.9	684.4	541.1	614.6	538.3	521.8	511.6	547.0	354.3

* Year to date costs to 28 February 2021