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1	0	Ludwig	Grants	Provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Provide the recipients, amount, intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those locations.	Written	Andrews
2	0	Ludwig	Grants	Update the status of each grant that was approved prior to 7 September 2013, but did not have financial contracts in place on 7 September 2013. Provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants, what locations have benefited from the grants and the electorate and state of those grants.	Written	Andrews
3	0	Moore	Grants on DSS website	What has been the progress to date of transitioning all the grant references on the departmental website from FaHCSIA to DSS, where a reference to a former department is not specifically required?	Written	Andrews
4	0	Moore	ACNC	How does the government intend deciding who is or is not a charity after it the abolition of the ACNC?	Written	Andrews
5	0	Moore	ACNC	Will the government maintain the national register of charities the ACNC has already established? If so how?	Written	Andrews
6	0	Moore	ACNC	Will the government maintain the agreements established by the ACNC to harmonise information across all Commonwealth grants, and harmonised reporting with all States and Territories, and with ORIC, and the Independent Schools?	Written	Andrews
7	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will develop a charities passport enabling all charities to not have to repeat basic information maintained and updated in the national charities register?	Written	Andrews
8	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will meet the demand for information – currently running at around 50,000 inquiries per annum – from charities and the community?	Written	Andrews
9	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will investigate and resolve complaints about charities – currently the ACNC is investigating and resolving around 200 cases per annum.	Written	Andrews
10	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will monitor the level of red tape for charities (currently part of the work and reporting requirements for the ACNC)?	Written	Andrews
11	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will monitor levels of public trust and confidence in charities (again part of the work and reporting of the ACNC)?	Written	Andrews
12	0	Moore	ACNC	Who will produce reports (such as the one produced today by the ACNC based on information collected) about the work of charities in our communities?	Written	Andrews
13	0	Moore	Not for Profit	Governments, experts in charity law, and many across civil society have highlighted how important it is to have an independent body determine the charitable status of any organisation. How will this be achieved if the government proceeds with abolishing the Australian Charities and Not-for-profit Commission?	Written	Andrews
14	0	Moore	Not for Profit	Governments, experts in charity law, and many across civil society have applauded the establishment of Australia's first public national register of charities. Does the government intend to maintain this register if it succeeds in abolishing the ACNC and if so, how?	Written	Andrews
15	0	Moore	Not for Profit	Experts in charity law have raised major concerns about the impact of both abolishing the ACNC and repealing the definition of charity that came into force this year. Has there been consultation with these experts and the broader civil society sector about how best to address the many concerns they have raised? Is there an intention to provide exposure draft legislation to enable full public consultation with these experts and the not-for-profit sector it will impact on? If so when and if not, why not?	Written	Andrews

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16	0	Moore	FOFMS	What has been the progress to date in placing all DSS grants on the FOFMS system?	Written	Andrews
17	0	Moore	FOFMS	What has been the progress to date in placing settlement services and multicultural affairs details on the FOFMS system?	Written	Andrews
18	0	Moore	FOFMS	What has been the progress to date in placing Disability Employment Services details on the FOFMS system?	Written	Andrews
19	0	Moore	FOFMS	Will the Department provide an update on the background of the FOFMS reporting schedule and format? Will the Minister commit, in the context of the coming Budget and the National Commission of Audit, to continuing the current system of maintaining publicised grants on the departmental website for two years? If not, what is the justification for any change?	Written	Andrews
20	0	Ludwig	Red Tape Reduction	Please detail what structures, officials, offices, units, taskforce or other processes has the department dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets?  a. What is the progress of that red tape reduction target.	Written	Andrews
21	0	Ludwig	Red Tape Reduction	<ol> <li>How many officers have been placed in the units dedicated to meeting the government's red tape reduction targets and at what level?</li> <li>How have they been recruited?</li> <li>What process was used for their appointment?</li> <li>What is the total cost of this unit?</li> <li>Do members of the unit have access to cabinet documents?</li> <li>Please list the security classification and date the classification was issued for each officer, broken down by APS or SES level, in the red tape reduction unit or similar body.</li> <li>What is the formal name given to this unit/taskforce/team/workgroup or agency within the department?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
22	0	Brown	Commission of Audit	Can you tell me on how many occasions officials from the department have met with the Commission of Audit?	CA21	Andrews
23	0	Brown	Commission of Audit	With the meetings with the Commission of Audit, did you include background information/statistics about the age pension?	CA22	Andrews
24	0	McLucas	Social Services Ministerial Advisory Council	What is the Minister's strategy for conducting portfolio-wide consultations on deregulation?	CA73	Andrews
25	0	Polley	Ministerial collaboration	How much input will the Minister for Social Services or his Assistant Minister have in the development of policies and funding allocation for vocational education and training in aged care?	Written	Fifield
26	0	McLucas	DSS website	When was the DSS website changed to include "Housing and Homelessness Policy and Programmes" as one of the Minister's portfolio responsibilities? What date and time was it updated?	Written	Andrews
27	0	McLucas	DSS website	What is the reason for "Housing and Homelessness Policy and Programmes" not being originally included as a portfolio responsibility of the Minister?	Written	Andrews
28	0	McLucas	DSS website	Please explain the process which lead to the list of responsibilities being placed on the website? Who approved the list prior to it being uploaded to the website?	Written	Andrews
29	0	Moore	Building DSS team	What is the size and composition of the Building DSS team mentioned by Ms Hand in the Cross-Portfolio discussion (which has replaced the 5½ staff MOG transition management team)?	Written	Andrews

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30	0	Ludwig	Printing	printed documents were also published online?	Written	Andrews
31	0	Ludwig	Printing  Communications	Did the Department/agency use external printing services for any print jobs since 7 September 2013?  b. If so, what companies were sued?  c. How were they selected?  d. What was the total cost of this printing?  Please provide details of all communications campaigns launched since the	Written	Andrews
32	0	Moore	campaigns	election, including subject matter and cost.	Written	Andrews
33	0	Ludwig	Media Subscriptions	What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date. c) What is provided to the Minister or their office. d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date.	Written	Andrews
34	0	Ludwig	Media Subscriptions	What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each. b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date. c) What is provided to the Minister or their office. d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date.	Written	Andrews
35	0	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	What is the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings and electronic media transcripts, provided to the Minister's office from 7 September 2013 to date?  a) Which agency or agencies provided these services. b) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date. c) Itemise these expenses.	Written	Andrews
36	0	Ludwig	Media Monitoring	What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings and electronic media transcripts, provided to the department/agency from 7 September 2013 to date?  a) Which agency or agencies provided these services?  b) What has been spent providing these services from 7 September 2013 to date?  c) Itemise these expenses	Written	Andrews
37	0	Ludwig	Media Training	Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:  a) The location used. b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion. c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location.	Written	Andrews

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38	0	Ludwig	Communications Staff	For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following:  a) How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.  b) How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location.  c) How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location.  d) How many are graphic designers. e) How many are media managers. f) How many organised events.	Written	Andrews
39	0	Ludwig	Departmental Rebranding	iii. Logos iv. Consultancy v. Any relevant IT changes vi. Office reconfiguration c. How was the decision reached to rename and/or rebrand the department? i. Who was involved in reaching this decision? ii. Please provide a copy of any communication (including but not limited to emails, letters, memos and notes) the department, or between the department	Written	Andrews
40	0	Ludwig	Government Advertising	1) How much has been spent on government advertising (including job ads) since 7 September 2013?  a. List each item of expenditure and cost b. List the approving officer for each item c. Detail the outlets that were paid for the advertising 2) What government advertising is planned for the rest of the financial year? a. List the total expected cost b. List each item of expenditure and cost c. List the approving officer for each item Detail the outlets that have been or will be paid for the advertising	Written	Andrews
<b>1</b> 1	0	Ludwig	Ministerial website	<ol> <li>How much has been spent on the Minister's website since 7 September 2013?</li> <li>List each item of expenditure and cost</li> <li>Who is responsible for uploading information to the Minister's website?</li> <li>Are any departmental staff required to work outside regular hours to maintain the Minister's website?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews

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42	0	Ludwig	Market research	List any market research conducted by the department/agency since 7 September 2013.  1. List the total cost of this research.  2. List each item of expenditure and cost, broken down by division and program.  3. Who conducted the research?  4. How were they identified?  5. Where was the research conducted?  6. In what way was the research conducted?  7. Were focus groups, round tables or other forms of research tools used?  8. How were participants for these focus groups et al selected?	Written	Andrews
<b>1</b> 3	0	Ludwig	Australian Public Affairs Pty Ltd	<ol> <li>List all interactions between the department/agency with Australian Public Affairs Pty Ltd since 7 September 2013. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting and the location of the meeting.</li> <li>List all interactions between the Minister/Parliamentary Secretary and/or their offices with Australian Public Affairs Pty Ltd since 7 September 2013. List the participants in the meeting, the topic of the discussion, who arranged or requested the meeting and the location of the meeting.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
44	0	Ludwig	Media Training	1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from 7 September 2013 to date: a) Total spending on these services b) an itemised cost breakdown of these services c) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification d) The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification e) The names of all service providers engaged f) the location that this training was provided 2. For each service purchased form a provider listed under (1), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (ie per hour, complete package)	Written	Andrews
45	0	Ludwig	Media Subscriptions	What publications does your department/agency purchase?  a) Please provide a list of publications purchased by the department and the reason for each.  b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date.  c) What is provided to the Minister or their office.	Written	Andrews
16	0	Ludwig	Media Subscriptions	d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date.  What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?  a) Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.  b) What is the cost from 7 September 2013 to date.  c) What is provided to the Minister or their office.  d) What is the cost for this from 7 September 2013 to date.	Written	Andrews

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NO.				Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many new		
				reviews (defined as review, inter-departmental group, inquiry, internal review or		
				similar activity) have been commenced? Please list them including:		
				a. the date they were ordered		
				b. the date they commenced		
				c. the minister responsible		
				d. the department responsible		
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17	0	Ludwig	Reviews	f. their terms of reference	Written	Andrews
				g. the scope of the review		
				h. Whom is conducting the review		
				i. the number of officers, and their classification level, involved in conducting the		
				review		
				j. the expected report date		
				k. the budgeted, projected or expected costs		
				If the review commenced or ordered since the supplementary Budget		
				Estimates in November 2013, have any external people, companies or contractors		
				being engaged to assist or conduct the review?		
				a. If so, please list them, including their name and/or trading name/s and any		
				known alias or other trading names.		
				b. If so, please list their managing director and the board of directors or		
				equivalent.		
				c. If yes, for each is the cost associated with their involvement, including a break		
				down for each cost item.		
18	0	Ludwig	Reviews	d. If yes, for each, what is the nature of their involvement.	Written	Andrews
				e. If yes, for each, are they on the lobbyist register, provide details.		
				f. If yes, for each, what contact has the Minister or their office had with them.		
				g. If yes, for each, who selected them.		
				h. If yes, for each, did the Minister or their office have any involvement in		
				selecting them.		
				i. If yes, please detail what involvement it was.		
				ii. If yes, did they see or provided input to a short list.		
				iii. If yes, on what dates did this involvement occur.		
				iv. If yes, did this involve any verbal discussions with the department.		
				Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, what reviews are		
		<u> </u>		ongoing?	l	<b>1</b>
19	0	Ludwig	Reviews	a. Please list them.	Written	Andrews
				b. What is the current cost to date expended on the reviews.		
				Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, have any reviews		
0	0	Ludwig	Reviews	been stopped, paused or ceased? Please list them. What reviews have concluded?	Written	Andrews
				Please list them.		
				What reviews are planned? Also:		
				a. When will each planned review be commenced.		
				b. When will each of these reviews be concluded.		
1	0	Ludwig	Reviews	c. When will government respond to each review.	Written	Andrews
				d. Will the government release each review.		
				i. If so, when.		
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52	0	Ludwig	Commissioned Reports	b) How much did each report cost/or is estimated to cost? How many departmental or external staff were involved in each report and at what level? c) What is the current status of each report? When is the Government intending	Written	Andrews
53	0	Ludwig	Briefings for Other Parties	to respond to these reports?  1. Have any briefings and/or provision of information been provided to Non-Government parties other than the Australian Lab Party? If yes, please include:  a) How are briefing requests commissioned. b) What briefings have been undertaken - provide details and a copy of each briefing. c) Provide details of what information has been provided and a copy of the information. d) Have any briefing requests been unable to proceed. If yes, provide details of what the requests were and why it could not proceed. e) How long is spent preparing and undertaking briefings/information requests for the Independents. How many staff are involved and how many hours. Provide a breakdown for each employment classification. f) Which Non-Government Parties or Independents, excluding the Australian Lab Party have requested briefings and/or information	Written	Andrews
54	0	Ludwig	Stationery requirements	How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date?  a. Detail the items provided to the Minister's office.	Written	Andrews
55	0	Ludwig	Stationery requirements	How much was spent on departmental stationary requirements from the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date?	Written	Andrews
56	0	Ludwig	Electronic equipment	Other than phones, ipads or computers – please list the electronic equipment provided to the Minister's office since 7 September 2013:  a. List the items.  b. List the items location or normal location.  c. List if the item is in the possession of the office or an individual staff member of Minister, if with an individual list their employment classification level.  d. List the total cost of the items.  e. List an itemised cost breakdown of these items.  f. List the date they were provided to the office.  g. Note if the items were requested by the office or proactively provided by the department.	Written	Andrews

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57	0	Ludwig	Senate Estimates Briefing	1) How many officers were responsible for preparing the department, agency, Minister or representing Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of senate estimates.  2) How many officer hours were spent on preparing that information.  a. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.  3) Were drafts shown to the Minister or their office before senate estimates.  a. If so, when did this occur.  b. How many versions of this information were shown to the Minister or their office.  4) Did the Minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information.  a. If so, when did this occur.  b. What officer hours were spent on making these edits. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.  c. When were the changes made.  5) Provide each of the contents page of the Department/ Minister/representing Minister's Senate Estimates folder prepared by the department for the Additional Estimates hearings in February 2014.	Written	Andrews
58	0	Ludwig	Question Time	1) How many officers are responsible for preparing the department, agency, Minister or representing Minister's briefing pack for the purposes of Question Time.  2) How many officer hours are spent each sitting day on preparing that information.  a. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.  3) Are drafts shown to the Minister or their office before Question Time.  a. If so, when does this occur.  b. How many versions of this information are shown to the minister or their office.  4) Does the minister or their office make any contributions, edits or suggestions for departmental changes to this information.  a. If so, when does this occur.  b. What officer hours were spent on making these edits. Please break down the hours by officer APS classification.  5) Provide each of the contents page of the Minister and representing Minister's Question Time folder prepared by the department for the week of 11 February 2014.	Written	Andrews
59	0	Ludwig		<ol> <li>Was the Minister on leave at any point during the Christmas break (between the last sitting of Parliament in 2013 and the first sitting in 2014)? If so:         <ol> <li>Please table a schedule of the Minister's leave. Please include:</li> <li>The dates the Minister was on leave.</li> <li>The dates the Minister was out of the country (if applicable).</li> <li>Who was acting in the Minister's place?</li> <li>What date was it decided to have this person act in the Minister's place?</li> <li>What was the process for selecting this person?</li> </ol> </li> <li>Who was involved in making this decision?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews

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61	0	Moore	Reviews	Please provide the details of every review that has commenced or been ordered since 7 September 2013, including:  • the date the review was ordered;  • the date the review commenced;  • the minister responsible;  • the name of the organisation or individual commissioned to do that review;  • the nature of the review;  • any terms of reference or brief provided in relation to the review;  • details of the tender process involved in selection of the reviewer;  • the financial arrangements for the review;  • the date of commencement and completion for the review;  • any departmental staff or other resources that have been assigned to the review; and  • whether the review will be made public.	Written	Andrews
62	0	Moore	Reviews	Please provide a list of all current ongoing reviews, be they commissioned before or after the election.	Written	Andrews
63	0	Moore	Reviews	Have any reviews that were underway been ceased since September 7?	Written	Andrews
64	0	Ludwig	Reviews	Since the Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013, how many reviews have been provided to Government? Please list them and the date they were provided.  When will the Government be responding to the respective reviews that have been completed?	Written	Andrews
65	0	Ludwig	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date:  1. Total spending on these services 2. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification 3. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) 4. The names of all service providers engaged For each service purchased form a provider listed under (4), please provide: a) The name and nature of the service purchased b) Whether the service is one-on-one or group based c) The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification d) The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification) e) The total amount spent on the service f) A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)	Written	Andrews

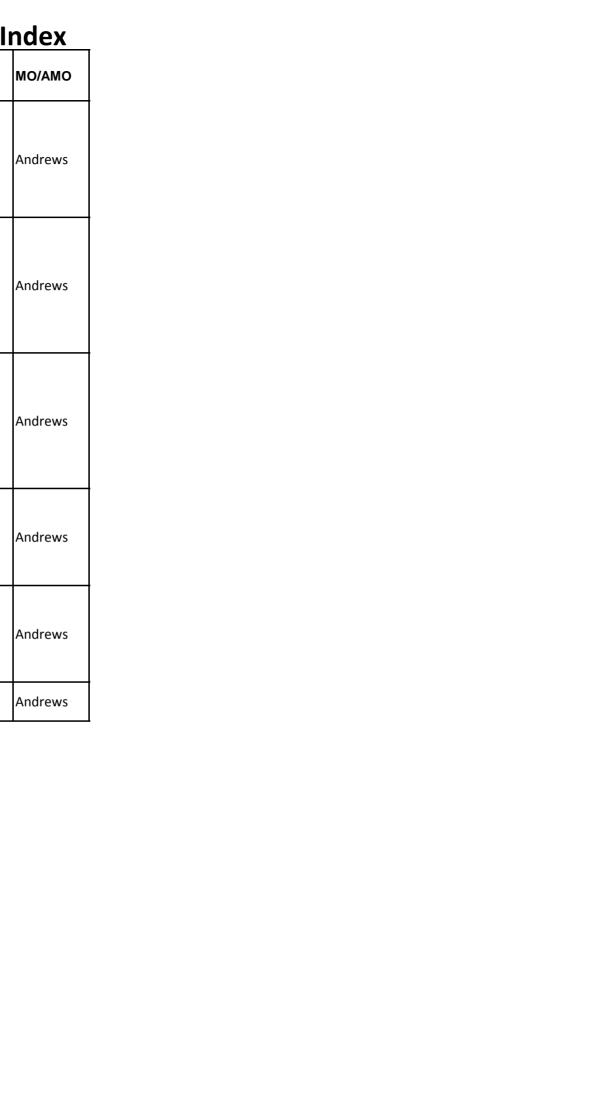
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66	0	Ludwig	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:  a) The location used  b) The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)  c) The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)  d) Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location	Written	Andrews
67	0	Ludwig	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	In relation to education/executive coaching and/or other leadership training services paid for by the department what agreements are made with employees in regards to continuing employment after training has been completed?	Written	Andrews
68	0	Ludwig	Executive Coaching and Leadership Training	For graduate or post graduate study, please breakdown each approved study leave by staffing allocation and degree or program title.	Written	Andrews
69	0	Ludwig	Staffing profile	What is the current staffing profile of the department/agency?	Written	Andrews
70	0	Ludwig	Staffing profile	Provide a list of staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)	Written	Andrews
71	0	Ludwig	Staffing Reductions	<ul><li>a) How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What was the reason for these reductions?</li><li>b) Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li></ul>	Written	Andrews
72	0	Ludwig	Staffing Reductions	<ul><li>a) Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.</li><li>b) If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.</li><li>c) Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.</li></ul>	Written	Andrews
73	0	Ludwig	Staffing Reductions	a) How many ongoing staff left the department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff. b) How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification were these staff.	Written	Andrews
74	0	Ludwig	Staffing Recruitment	How many ongoing staff recruited from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff.	Written	Andrews
75	0	Ludwig	Staffing Recruitment	How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? What classification are these staff.	Written	Andrews
76	0	Ludwig	Staffing Recruitment	From Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period.	Written	Andrews

				Additional Estimates 2014		
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80	0	Ludwig	Workplace assessments	1) How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments since 7 September 2013?  a. List each item of expenditure and cost  2) Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?  a. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes	Written	Andrews
81	0	Moore	Staffing	Please provide the current number of full time positions in the department, broken down by department group/division/branch/ section?	Written	Andrews
82	0	Moore	Redundancies	Have any redundancies been offered since the 7 September 2013 election? If so, please provide details including:  • position that was made redundant;  • whether it was voluntary; and  • amount expended on redundancy package.  Please provide details of current ministerial office staffing arrangements including	Written	Andrews
83	0	Moore	Ministerial staff	number of staff employed, title of the position of employment, classification of employment and salary.	Written	Andrews
84	0	Moore	Appointments	Please provide a list of all contracted appointments to the Department since the election, the purpose for which they were contracted and the amount.	Written	Andrews
85	0	Moore	Departmental staff in the MO	Please provide details of any departmental staff currently working in the ministerial office (MO), with details of their employment, including the title of their position, length of stay in the MO and date of appointment.	Written	Andrews
86	0	Polley	Staff	How many more staff are yet to be employed in the Department?	Written	Andrews
87	0	Polley	Staff	Will there be changes to staff due to major reforms being rolled out over the next few years? If so, please indicate how many are likely and what areas or units they will be allocated to?	Written	Andrews
88	0	Polley	Staff	Please provide a breakdown of staff across the nation, by state and territory, including the central office, and by task, ie. administration, management, policy, practitioners.	Written	Andrews
90	0	Seselja	Staffing	What has been the movement of staff in headcount and full-time equivalent from the start of that 2011-12 financial year to now, broken down by:  1. Former FaHCSIA.  2. Staff that have brought in from the 6 different agencies to form the current DSS.	CA16	Andrews
91	0	Polley	Staff	How many properties does DSS have around the nation? Please provide a breakdown by state and territory and list the cities, towns etc. where staff and properties are located, including numbers of staff in each property.	Written	Andrews

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92	0	Ludwig		a) From Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, what has been the average time period for the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors, consultants or others. b) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in under 30 days. c) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 30 and 60 days. d) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 60 and 90 days. e) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in between 90 and 120 days. f) How many payments owed (as a number and as a percentage of the total) have been paid in over 120 days. g) For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and if so how much has been paid by the portfolio/department agency since 7 September 2013. h) Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined.		Andrews
93	0	Ludwig	Meeting Costs	What is the Department/Agency's meeting spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
94	0	Ludwig	Meeting Costs	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total meeting spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
95	0	Ludwig	Meeting Costs	What meeting spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
96	0	Ludwig	Meeting Costs	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what meeting spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
97	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
98	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
99	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
100	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
101	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews

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102	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
103	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending?  Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
L04	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.	Written	Andrews
105	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on hospitality and entertainment items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?	Written	Andrews
106	0	Ludwig	Hospitality and entertainment	Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office hospitality and entertainment items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?	Written	Andrews
107	0	Ludwig	Functions	<ol> <li>Provide a list of all formal functions or forms of hospitality conducted for the Minister. Include:         <ul> <li>a) The guest list of each function.</li> <li>b) The party or individual who initiated the request for the function.</li> <li>c) The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function.</li> <li>d) A list of drinks consumed at the function.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
108	0	Ludwig	Functions	Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order in the Minister's office.	Written	Andrews
109	0	Ludwig	Official Residences	<ol> <li>Provide a list of all formal functions conducted at any of the official residences or the Prime Minister's office or Prime Minister's Dining Room where it has been used in place of the official residences. Include:         <ol> <li>The guest list of each function, including if any ministerial staff attended.</li> <li>The party or individual who initiated the request for the function.</li> <li>The menu, program or list of proceedings of the function</li> <li>A list of drinks consumed at the function.</li> </ol> </li> <li>Provide a list of the current wine, beer or other alcoholic beverages in stock or on order at any of the official residences, or venues or offices acting as official residences.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
110	0	Ludwig	Christmas party costs	List what functions were held by the department/agency for either Christmas or end of calendar year since 7 September 2013.  a. What was the cost of each of these functions?  b. How was the money identified?  c. What was the location of these functions?  d. Provide a table of food and alcohol purchased for the function	Written	Andrews
111	0	Moore	Hospitality	Please provide the monthly expenditure since 7 September of the Ministerial Office, Assistant Minister's office and Parliamentary Secretary's office on catering.	Written	Andrews
112	0	Moore	Hospitality	Please provide the monthly expenditure since 7 September of the Department on catering.	Written	Andrews

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113	0	Moore	Hospitality	Please provide details of all expenditure on hospitality by the Minister, the Assistant Minister, the Parliamentary Secretary or their offices since the September 2013 election, including: <ul> <li>amount;</li> <li>attendees; and</li> <li>Purpose.</li> </ul>	Written	Andrews
114	0	Ludwig	Travel Costs - Department	<ol> <li>From 7 September 2013, detail all travel for departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and/or Parliamentary Secretary on their travel. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).</li> <li>What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
115	0	Ludwig	Travel Costs - Department	<ol> <li>From 7 September 2013, detail all travel for departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that include airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals). Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</li> <li>What travel is planned for the rest of this calendar year? Also provide a reason and brief explanation for the travel.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
117	0	Ludwig	Consultancies	How many consultancies have been undertaken from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (ie. open tender, direct source). Also include total value for all consultancies.	Written	Andrews
118	0	Ludwig	Consultancies	How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and if not why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement as above, and the name of the consultant if known.	Written	Andrews
119	0	Ludwig	Consultancies	Have any consultancies not gone out for tender? i. If so, which ones and why?	Written	Andrews



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120	0	Ludwig	Coffee Machines	Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013?  a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased? b) Why were coffee machines purchased? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were purchased? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?	Written	Andrews
121	0	Ludwig	Coffee Machines	Does the department/agency rent coffee machines for staff usage?  a) If yes, provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased. b) Why are coffee machines rented? c) Has there been a noticeable difference in staff productivity since coffee machines were rented? Are staff leaving the office premises less during business hours as a result? d) Where does the funding for the coffee machines come from? e) Who has access? f) Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date, include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from? g) What are the ongoing costs of the coffee machine, such as the cost of coffee?	Written	Andrews
122	0	Ludwig	Corporate Cars	a) How any cars are owned by each department/agency? b) Where is the car/s located? c) What is the car/s used for? d) What is the cost of each car from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? e) How far did each car travel from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? f) How many cars are leased by each department/agency? g) Where are the cars located? h) What are the cars used for? i) What is the cost of each car from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? j) How far did each car travel from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date?	Written	Andrews

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.23	0	Ludwig	Taxi Costs	a) How much did each department/agency spend on taxis from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for taxi costs?	Written	Andrews
124	0	Ludwig	Hire Cars	a) How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. b) What are the reasons for hire car costs?	Written	Andrews
L <b>2</b> 5	0	Ludwig	Credit Cards	Provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.	Written	Andrews
126	0	Ludwig	Credit Cards	Please update details of the following:  a) What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?  b) How is corporate credit card use monitored?  c) What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?  d) Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered since Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013? List staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.  e) What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?	Written	Andrews
127	0	Ludwig	Land Costs	1) How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease?  2) Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non Defence Force base land is to be included)  3) List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above.  a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)?  b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)?  c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)?	Written	Andrews
128	0	Ludwig	Land Costs	1) How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease?  2) Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included).  3) In regards to any building identified in Q1, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?	Written	Andrews

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129	0	Ludwig	Ministerial Motor Vehicle	<ol> <li>Has the Minister been provided with a motor vehicle? If so:         <ol> <li>What is the make and model?</li> <li>How much did it cost?</li> <li>When was it provided?</li> <li>Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met?</li> <li>What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle?</li> </ol> </li> <li>Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel.</li> <li>Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met?</li> <li>Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine if a Minister is entitled to a motor vehicle.</li> <li>Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.</li> <li>Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a Minister is to use a motor vehicle they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses.</li> <li>Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
130	0	Ludwig	Ministerial Staff Vehicles (non-MoPS)	1. Outside of MoPS Act entitlements, have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle? If so: a. What is the make and model? b. How much did it cost? c. When was it provided? d. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? e. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. f. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? g. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle. h. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. i. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. j. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.	Written	Andrews

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131	0	Ludwig	Ministerial Staff Vehicles	1. Have any of the Minister's staff been provided with a motor vehicle under the MoPS Act entitlements? If so: a. What is the make and model? b. How much did it cost? c. When was it provided? d. Was the entire cost met by the department? If not, how was the cost met? e. What, if any, have been the ongoing costs associated with this motor vehicle? Please include costs such as maintenance and fuel. f. Are these costs met by the department? If not, how are these costs met? g. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine this entitlement to a motor vehicle. h. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail. i. Please provide a copy of the guidelines that determine how a motor vehicle is to be used that they have been provided with. Please include details such as whether the motor vehicle can be used for personal uses. j. Have these guidelines changed since September 7, 2013? If so, please detail.	Written	Andrews
132	0	Ludwig	Building Lease Costs	What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since 7 September 2013? Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by: i. Date the lease agreement is active from. ii. Date the lease agreement ends. iii. Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not? iv. Location of the building (City and state). v. Cost of the lease. vi. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.	Written	Andrews
133	0	Ludwig	Building Lease Costs	In regard to the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since 7 September 2013, please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed since September 7, 2013. Please detail by: i. Date from which the lease agreement was active. ii. Date the lease agreement ended. iii. Why was the lease not renewed? iv. Location of the building (City and state). v. Cost of the lease. vi. Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.	Written	Andrews

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134	0	Ludwig	Building Lease Costs	In regard to the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since 7 September 2013, please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by: i. Date the lease agreement is expected to become active. ii. Date the lease agreement is expected to end. iii. Expected location of the building (City and state). iv. Expected cost of the lease.	Written	Andrews
135	0	Ludwig	Building Lease Costs	In regard to the total cost of building leases for the agency / department since 7 September 2013, has the cost of building leases for the agency/department been allocated into the budget?  a. Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.  b. For each building owned or leased by the department:  i. What is the current occupancy rate for the building?  ii. If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.	Written	Andrews
136	0	Ludwig	Diner's Club Cards	<ol> <li>What is the arrangement with diners club for provision of credit cards for the Whole of Government Travel arrangements?</li> <li>What is the cost of using diners club to the government, listed by government and agency in fees and other charges?</li> <li>What are the criteria for staff receiving credit cards? Does the criteria vary between SES and other levels; do they require pre approval for certain classes of expenses?</li> <li>Please detail the limits of the credit cards issued to departmental staff; the types of cards; the card issuers;</li> <li>Have any credit cards been issued to ministers or ministers staff?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
137	0	Ludwig	Multiple tenders	List any tenders that were re-issued or issued multiple times since 7 September 2013.  a. Why were they re-issued or issued multiple times?  b. Were any applicants received for the tenders before they were re-issued or repeatedly issued?  c. Were those applicants asked to resubmit their tender proposal?	Written	Andrews
138	0	Ludwig	Departmental upgrades	Since 7 September 2013, has the department/agency engaged in any new refurbishments, upgrades or changes to their building or facilities?  a. If so, list these  b. If so, list the total cost for these changes  c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure  d. If so, who conducted the works?  e. If so, list the process for identifying who would conduct these works  f. If so, when are the works expected to be completed?	Written	Andrews

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139	0	Ludwig	Wine Coolers/Fridges	Since 7 September 2013, has the department/agency purchased or leased any new wine coolers, or wine fridges or other devices for the purpose of housing alcohol beverages, including eskies? a. If so, list these. b. If so, list the total cost for these items. c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. d. If so, where were these purchased. e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased. f. If so, what is the current location for these items? g. If so, what is the current stocking level for each of these items?	Written	Andrews
140	0	Ludwig	Office plants	Since 7 September 2013, has the department/agency purchased or leased any new office plants?  a. If so, list these. b. If so, list the total cost for these items. c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure. d. If so, where were these purchased. e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased. f. If so, what is the current location for these items?	Written	Andrews
141	0	Ludwig		Since 7 September 2013, has the department/agency purchased or leased or constructed any office recreation facilities, activities or games (including but not limited to pool tables, table tennis tables or others)?  a. If so, list these.  b. If so, list the total cost for these items.  c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure.  d. If so, where were these purchased?  e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased.  f. If so, what is the current location for these items?  g. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?	Written	Andrews
142	0	Ludwig	Vending Machines	Since 7 September 2013, has the department/agency purchased or leased or taken under contract any vending machine facilities?  a. If so, list these.  b. If so, list the total cost for these items.  c. If so, list the itemised cost for each item of expenditure.  d. If so, where were these purchased?  e. If so, list the process for identifying how they would be purchased.  f. If so, what is the current location for these items?  g. If so, what is the current usage for each of these items?	Written	Andrews
143	0	Moore	Consultancies	Please provide the details of any external consultant contracted by the department since 7 September 2013, including:  • the date on which they were contracted;  • the duties they have been contracted to do;  • whether or not they are being paid for their work and the amount;  • date of completion of their work or date of expected completion; and  • any departmental staff assigned to assist with the work.  Please provide details of the nature of the services being provided to the	Written	Andrews
144	0	Moore	Contractor	department by KPMG under contract number CN1996802, DSS contract reference number 90003510.	Written	Fifield

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145	0	Moore	Contractor	Please provide details of the nature of the services being provided by Ernst and Young to the Department under the terms of contract number CN1996132, DSS contract reference number 90003511.	Written	Fifield
146	0	Moore	Contractor	Please provide details on the nature of the work being done for the department by KPMG under contract number CN1921101, DSS contract reference number 9003266.	Written	Fifield
147	0	Moore	Contractor	Please provide details of the nature of the work being done by Noetic Solutions under the terms of the contract CN1918481, DSS contract reference number 9003263.	Written	Andrews
148	0	Moore	Contactor	Please provide details of the nature of the work being done by National Disability Services under the terms of the agreement CN19785321, DSS contract reference number 90003421.	Written	Fifield
149	0	Moore	Contractor	Please provide details of the work being done by Aboriginal Disability Network Incorporated under contract number CN1388771, DSS contract reference number 90002080.	Written	Fifield
150	0	McLucas	Machinery of Government (MoG)	Have you quantified the total cost of the corporate overheads of the MoG as it relates to ageing and aged care joining DSS?	CA19	Andrews
 151	0	Polley	MoG changes	When will the Aged Care and Ageing section of DSS be completed?	Written	Andrews
152	0	Polley	MoG changes	What is the total cost of the MoG changes? Please provide a detailed breakdown of the costs and what cost centre these will come from.	Written	Andrews
153	0	Ludwig	Shared resources following MoG changes	Following the Machinery of Government changes does the department share any goods/services/accommodation with other departments?	Written	Andrews
154	0	Ludwig	Shared resources following MoG changes	1) What resources/services does the department share with other departments; are there plans to cease sharing the sharing of these resources/services?  2) What were the costs to the department prior to the Machinery of Government changes for these shared resources? What are the estimated costs after the ceasing of shared resource arrangements?	Written	Andrews
155	0	Polley	IT System	<ol> <li>How many people are yet to be on the DSS IT system? Please provide a breakdown of numbers by state/territory/central office.</li> <li>Please outline what work has yet to occur to ensure all DSS staff are on the DSS IT system.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
156	0	Ludwig	Provision of Equipment - Ministerial	For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?  a. Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or Minister classification.	Written	Andrews
157	0	Ludwig	Provision of Equipment - Ministerial	Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone - list type if relevant, thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.	Written	Andrews

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158	0	Ludwig	Provision of Equipment - Departmental	Other than desktop computers, list all electronic equipment provided to department/agency staff. a. List the items. b. List the purchase cost. c. List the ongoing cost. d. List the staff and staff classification that receive the equipment.	Written	Andrews
159	0	Ludwig	Computers	a) List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used. b) List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location. c) Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the ongoing costs.	Written	Andrews
160	0	Ludwig	Appointments	<ol> <li>Please detail any board appointments made from the Supplementary Budget</li> <li>Estimates in November 2013 to date.</li> <li>What is the gender ratio on each board and across the portfolio?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
161	0	Ludwig	· ·	1. Since September 7 2013; a. how often has each board met, break down by board name; b. what travel expenses are provided; c. what is the average attendance at board meetings; d. how does the board deal with conflict of interest; e. what conflicts of interest have been registered; f. what remuneration is provided to board members; g. how does the board dismiss board members who do not meet attendance standards; h. have any requests been made to ministers to dismiss board members since September 7, 2013; i. please list board members who have attended less than 51% of meetings; and j. what have catering costs been for the board meetings held this year; is alcohol served.	Written	Andrews
162	0	Moore	Boards and Committees	Please provide a list of all current boards and committees within the department, their terms of reference and membership, and their budget, if any.	Written	Andrews
163	0	Moore	Board appointments	Have any new appointments been made to boards since the September election? If so, please provide names of appointees and to which board they have been appointed.	Written	Andrews
L64	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Can the department please outline the process it under goes to access Freedom of Information requests.	Written	Andrews
165	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform the Minister when it receives Freedom of Information requests?  a. If so, when?  b. If so, how does this occur?	Written	Andrews

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166	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when it receives Freedom of Information requests?  a. If so, which departments or agencies?  b. If so, when?  c. If so, how does this occur?	Written	Andrews
167	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform the Minister when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request?  a. If so, when?  b. If so, how does this occur?	Written	Andrews
168	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consult or inform other departments or agencies when or before it makes a decision on a Freedom of Information request/ a. If so, which departments or agencies? b. If so, when? c. If so, how does this occur?	Written	Andrews
169	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<ol> <li>What resources does the department commit to its Freedom of Information team?</li> <li>List the staffing resources by APS level assigned solely to Freedom of Information requests.</li> <li>List the staffing resources by APS level assigned indirectly to Freedom of Information requests.</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
170	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department ever second additional resources to processing Freedom of Information requests?  a. If so, please detail those resources by APS level.	Written	Andrews
171	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the department?  a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?	Written	Andrews
172	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How many officers are currently designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Minister's office?  a. How does this differ to the number of officers designated as at 6 September 2013?	Written	Andrews
173	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Of the officers that are designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act 1982 within the Ministers office, how many are seconded officers from the department?	Written	Andrews
174	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the department?  a. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received formal training?  b. Of the officers designated as decision makers within the department, how many have received informal training?  c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?  d. What did the training involve?  e. How long was the training?  f. By whom was the training conducted?	Written	Andrews

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175	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	What training does the department provide to designated decision makers under the Freedom of Information Act who work within the Minister's office, excluding those officers on secondment from the department?  a. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received formal training?  b. Of the officers designated as decision makers, how many have received informal training?  c. How long after each officers appointment as a designated decision maker did they receive formal training?  d. What did the training involve?  e. How long was the training?  f. By whom was the training conducted?	Written	Andrews
176	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Since 7 September 2013, how many Freedom of Information requests been shown or alerted to the Minister or their office?  a. List those notified request.  b. How many instances were each of this requests brought to the office or the Minister's attention?  c. How many of these items resulted in a separate formal brief being provided to the Minister?  d. How many of these items resulted in a separate informal briefing (including by email) being provided to the Minister?  e. How many requests have resulted in multiple formal briefs being provided to the Minister or their office?  f. How many requests have resulted in multiple informal briefs (including by email) being provided to the Minister or their office?	Written	Andrews
177	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	1) Does the department provide FOI PDFs for download on their website? 2) If not, what is the cost associated with staffing to require monitor email and collate and forward requested FOI documents?	Written	Andrews
178	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<ol> <li>How does the department test it is complying with accessibility standards for its websites?</li> <li>Does the department comply with accessibility standards for all its websites?</li> <li>What would be the effect on the accessibility rating of the department's website if FOI PDFs were provided on the department websites?</li> <li>What accessibility testing of the website was done and what were the points of failure prior to this change in access for FOI documents?</li> <li>Have the website accessibility standards been solely or partly responsible for not putting FOI PDF documents on the department websites?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
179	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How does the department facilitate anonymous access to the FOI disclosure files?	Written	Andrews
180	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How many times were the last 20 FOI requests PDFs which were made available on the website downloaded? How often have the FOI requests only available by email request been sent?	Written	Andrews

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181	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How long does it take to requests for disclosed FOI files to be processed? What was the average turnaround from request to sending of files in the last 3 months?	Written	Andrews
182	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	What was the content of communications with other departments about the website accessibility standards and FOI PDFs?	Written	Andrews
183	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Where did advice concerning the website accessibility certification and provision of PDFs come from and what was the content of that advice?		Andrews
184	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department consider that not providing direct download of PDFs is more accessible for people with disabilities and the general public than providing the links?		Andrews
185	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	What efforts have been made to make FOI PDFs accessible to members of the public who have disabilities?		Andrews
186	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Has advice from the information commissioner been sought regarding providing FOI requests available by email request only?		Andrews
187	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<ol> <li>Has any disability advice group or consultant been contacted regarding making the FOI requests accessible to people with disabilities?</li> <li>Is this compatible with the information commissioners guidelines - specifically that "published information should be accessible — in particular, it should comply with an agency's obligation to meet the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (Version 2)"</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
188	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	How does email PDF provision meet the information commissioner's requirement that "13.124 Information that forms part of the IPS must be published 'to wembers of the public generally'"?		Andrews
189	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Is not providing the FOI PDFs on the website a means of avoiding not conforming to the WCAG 2.0 or other guidelines?	Written	Andrews
190	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	Does the department have a separate email address or inbox for receiving and responding to FOI requests?  a. If so, list each email account.  b. List the officers who can assess and reply from those separate accounts, broken down by staffing classification level.	Written	Andrews
191	0	Ludwig	Freedom of Information	<ol> <li>Do FOI officers ever receive or respond to applicants from their individual email account as opposed to from a central account?</li> <li>If so, how does the officer distinguish between communication related to their task as a decision maker and their primary work task?</li> <li>How do FOI decision makers that receive emails related to FOI decisions in their normal work capacity distinguish these emails from FOI decision emails?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
192	0	Ludwig	Legal Costs	List all legal costs incurred by the department or agency since 7 September 2013. a. List the total cost for these items, broken down by source of legal advice, hours retained or taken to prepare the advice and the level of counsel used in preparing the advice, whether the advice was internal or external. b. List cost spent briefing Counsel, broken down by hours spent briefing, whether it was direct or indirect briefing, the gender ratio of Counsel, how each Counsel was engaged (departmental, ministerial). c. How was each piece of advice procured? Detail the method of identifying legal advice.	Written	Andrews

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193	0	Moore	FOFMS implementation process	Can the Department provide an update on the FOFMS implementation process including Ageing and Aged Care?	CA21	Andrews
194	0	Siewert	SSAT	What is the process of selecting members for the Social Security Appeals Tribunal?	Written	Andrews
195	0	Siewert	SSAT	How many Social Security Appeals Tribunal members are there both full-time and part-time?  Please provide the number of members both full-time and part-time over the last 5 years?  How are the number of members – both full-time and part-time – decided?	Written	Andrews
196	0	Siewert	Are Social Security Appeals Tribunal members automatically replaced when their term expires?  a. If no, why?		Written	Andrews
197	0	Siewert	SSAT	What is the process to ensure that there are enough Social Security Appeals Tribunal members to meet the needs of Centrelink clients?	Written	Andrews
198	0	Siewert	SSAT	What is the budget for the Social Security Appeals Tribunal for 2013-2014. What has been the budget for the Social Security Appeals Tribunal for the last 5 financial years.	Written	Andrews
199	0	Moore	SSAT	Please provide the number of appeals lodged with the SSAT by payment type and by state in the year 2013/2014.	Written	Andrews
200	0	Moore	SSAT	Please provide the percentage and number of rejected appeals by payment type and by state in the year 2013/2014.	Written	Andrews
201	0	Moore	SSAT	Please provide the number and percentage of successful appeals by payment type and by state in the year 2013/2014.  Please provide the average waiting time for successful resolution of an appeal by payment type in the year 2013/2014.	Written	Andrews
202	0	Moore	SSAT	Please also provide numbers, by state, of all the following:  a. appeals;  b. reviews;  c. complaints and feedback:	Written	Andrews

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203	0	Ludwig	Sochi	<ol> <li>Did the Minister attend the Sochi Winter Olympics?</li> <li>If so, who accompanied the Minister?</li> <li>Detail the total cost of the trip, broken down by airfare, accommodation, incidentals, security arrangements and any other expenditure?</li> <li>What class of airfare did the minister and each of those accompanying the minister travel?</li> <li>List the Minister's itinerary for the trip, including meetings and events attended.</li> <li>Who arranged each of these meetings?</li> <li>Who initiated each of the meeting requests for the minister's appointments?</li> <li>The Minister, the department, his office or the person he met with?</li> <li>Did the department secretary accompany the Minister to the Sochi Olympics?</li> <li>List the other international trips the Department Secretary has attended with the Minister</li> <li>Who made the decision for the secretary to attend? Please detail the approval process and table the relating documents for the departmental secretary to attend, including who made the initial request for the departmental secretary to attend</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
204	0	Ludwig	Sochi	1) In regard to the Minister attending the Sochi Winter Olympics, did the Minister write to the Prime Minister or the Prime Minister's delegate seeking approval of the trip?  a. If so, when did he write?  b. If so, when was a reply received?  c. If so, were revisions sought?  i. If so, what were they?  d. If so, did the Minister need to make more than one request for the approval of the Prime Minister for the trip?  e. If not, did someone else write on the Minister's behalf? If so, who, on what date and when was a reply received and by whom?  2) Did the letter seeking approval from the Prime Minister detail who would be attending the games with the Minister?  a. Did this include the department secretary attending the games?  i. If not, why not?  3) Did the Prime Minister make any requests, either formally or informally, that the secretary was to attend the games with the Minister?  a. If so, when?  b. If so, in what format?  c. If so, provide those documents	Written	Andrews
205	0	Moore	McClure Review	Has the Department prepared terms of reference for the Review into the welfare system to be undertaken by Mr Patrick McClure? If yes, can a copy of those terms of reference be provided to the Committee? If no, why not?	Written	Andrews
206	0	Moore	McClure Review	How has the Government defined the scope of Mr McClure's review?	Written	Andrews
207	0	Moore	McClure Review	Please outline exactly what payments Mr McClure will be considering through this review.	Written	Andrews

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208	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the review include the Age Pension?	Written	Andrews
209	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the review include family tax benefits?	Written	Andrews
210	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the review include the Household Assistance Package?	Written	Andrews
211	0	Moore	McClure Review	Why have the Age Pension and Family Tax Benefits – which represent between them the vast majority of Government expenditure on welfare payments – been excluded from the review?	Written	Andrews
212	0	Moore	McClure Review	Is this just a review into two payments – Newstart and the DSP?	Written	Andrews
213	0	Moore	McClure Review	Last year the Department indicated that it had budgeted \$1.7 million for the review. Can you please provide a detailed breakdown of how that money is being spent? How much of that money is being paid to Mr McClure?		Andrews
214	0	Moore	McClure Review	Can you please describe the consultation process that Mr McClure is undertaking for the review?		Andrews
215	0	Moore	McClure Review	Can you provide a list of those organisations and or individuals with whom Mr McClure has met to discuss reform of the welfare system?  Are there further planned consultations? With who?		Andrews
216	0	Moore	McClure Review	Is Mr McClure seeking the views of people who are actually on these payments? Writ		Andrews
217	0	Moore	McClure Review	How is Mr McClure seeking the view of people on the DSP?	Written	Andrews
218	0	Moore	McClure Review	How is Mr McClure seeking the view of people on Newstart? Wr		Andrews
219	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the Department put the McClure Review guidelines or guiding principles on the web for public consumption? If so, from what date?		Andrews
220	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the Department provide to this Committee a copy of those guidelines or guiding principles for the McClure Review?		Andrews
221	0	Moore	McClure Review	What is the date for the interim report of the McClure Review? What is the date for the final report of the McClure Report?	Written	Andrews
222	0	Moore	McClure Review	What was the schedule of c.30 consultations for the McClure Review conducted up to the date of Additional Estimates? Venue? Dates/times? Invitees?	Written	Andrews
223	0	Moore	McClure Review	Will the Department please provide a list of the parties who have expressed interest to the Department or Patrick McClure about participation in the McClure Review?	Written	Andrews
226	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the latest number of families in receipt of Family Tax Benefit A by:  • state/Territory;  • electorate;  • percentage and number on the maximum rate;  • age of child;  • number of years in receipt of payment;  • number and percentage in income stream categories; and  • other payments received.	Written	Andrews
227	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Family Tax Benefit A. Please provide the current outlays for 2013/2014 for Family Tax Benefit A.		Andrews
228	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the projected cost, over the forward estimates, of Family Tax Benefit A.	Written	Andrews



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229	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit A paid by instalment.  Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit A paid in a lump sum.	Written	Andrews
230	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit A with outstanding debt, and the current amount of that debt.  Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit A with outstanding debt who currently have a debt repayment agreement with the Department of Human Services.	Written	Andrews
231	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the payment accuracy for Family Tax Benefit A.	Written	Andrews
232	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit A	Please provide the number and percentage of families in receipt of Family Tax Benefit A with children vaccinated to the highest level appropriate for their age.	Written	Andrews
233	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the latest number of people in receipt of Family Tax Benefit B by:  • state/Territory;  • electorate;  • percentage and number on the maximum rate;  • age of child;  • number of years in receipt of payment;  • number and percentage in income stream categories; and  • other payments received.	Written	Andrews
234	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit B paid by instalment.  Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit B paid in a lump sum.	Written	Andrews
235	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit B with outstanding debt, and current amount of that debt.  Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit B with outstanding debt who currently have a debt repayment agreement with the Department of Human Services.		Andrews
236	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the payment accuracy for Family Tax Benefit B.	Written	Andrews
237	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the number and percentage of families in receipt of Family Tax Benefit B with children vaccinated to the highest level appropriate for their age.	Written	Andrews
238	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Family Tax Benefit B.  Please provide the current outlays for 2013/2014 for Family Tax Benefit B.	Written	Andrews
239	1	Moore	Family Tax Benefit B	Please provide the projected cost, over the forward estimates, of Family Tax Benefit B.	Written	Andrews
240	1	Moore	Child Support Scheme	Please provide the number of cases in the Child Support Scheme.	Written	Andrews
241	1	Moore	Child Support Scheme	Please provide the total number of annual assessments in the Child Support Scheme.	Written	Andrews
242	1	Moore	Child Support Scheme	Please provide the total value of child support assessments raised using Child Support Scheme.	Written	Andrews
243	1	Moore	Child Support Scheme	Please provide the number and percentage of people with a reduction on family tax benefits as a result of maintenance income test.	Written	Andrews

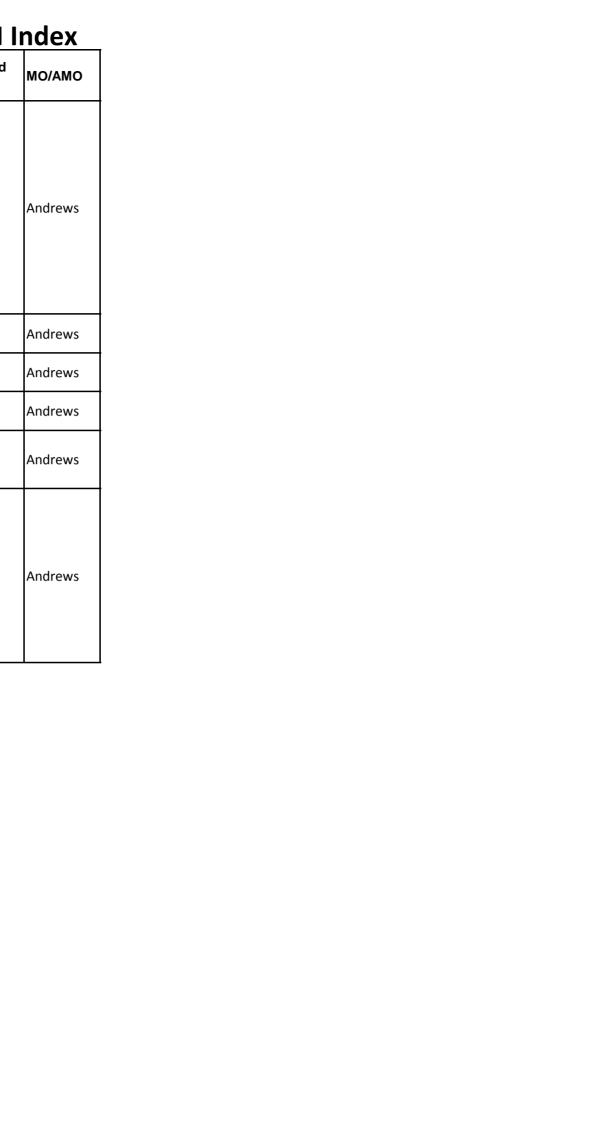
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244	1	Moore	Schoolkids Bonus	Please provide the number of recipients of the Schoolkids Bonus in January 2014 by:  • state/territory;  • electorate; and  • age of child.	Written	Andrews
245	1	Moore	Schoolkids Bonus	Please provide the outlays for the Schoolkids Bonus in January 2014 by:  • state/territory; and  • electorate.	Written	Andrews
246	1	Moore	Double Orphan Pension	Please provide the latest number of people in receipt of the Double Orphan Pension pay by: • state/territory; • electorate; • sex; • age; • Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; • income immediately prior to receipt of payment; • partner's income immediately prior to receipt of payment; and • other payments received.	Written	Andrews
247	1	Moore	Double Orphan Pension	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 the Double Orphan Pension. Please provide to current outlays for 2013/2014 for the Double Orphan Pension.	Written	Andrews
248	1	Moore	Double Orphan Pension	Please also provide the estimated costs, over the forward estimates, of the Double Orphan Pension.	Written	Andrews
249	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a breakdown of funding for Communities for Children under the Family Support Program, for 2011-12 through 2013-14.  Please provide this information broken down by state, territory, electorate and by activity type (Children Facilitating Partner or Communities for Children Direct Services Communities for Children – Indigenous Parenting Services).	Written	Andrews
250	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a list of organisations that are funded under Communities for Children, identifying the funding amount and activity type by state, territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews
251	1	Moore	Family Support	How many clients accessed services through Communities for Children for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory, electorate and activity type.  How many Culturally and Linguistically Diverse clients accessed services through Communities for Children for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory, electorate and activity type.  How many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients accessed services through Communities for Children for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory, electorate and activity type.	Written	Andrews
252	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a breakdown of funding of Family Relationship Services, under the Family Support Program, for 2011-12 through 2013-14. Please provide this information broken down by state, territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews
253	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a list of organisations that are funded under Family Relationship Services, identifying the funding amount.	Written	Andrews

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254	1	Moore	Family Support	How many clients accessed services through Family Relationship Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.  How many Culturally and Linguistically Diverse clients accessed services through Family Relationship Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.  How many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients accessed services through Family Relationship Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews
255	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a breakdown of funding of Community Playgroups, under the Family Support Program, for 2011-12 through 2013-14. Please provide this information broken down by state, territory and electorate.		Andrews
256	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a list of organisations that are funded under Community Playgroups, identifying the funding amount, broken down by state/territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews
257	1	Moore	Family Support	How many clients accessed services through Community Playgroups for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate. How many Culturally and Linguistically Diverse clients accessed services through Community Playgroups for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate. How many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients accessed services through Community Playgroups for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews
258	1	Moore	Family Support	Please provide a breakdown of funding of Specialist Services, under the Family Support Program, for 2011-12 through 2013-14.  Please provide this information broken down by state and territory and by activity type (Specialised Family Violence Services, Kids in Focus – Family Drug Support, Family Relationship Services for Humanitarian Entrants).	Written	Andrews
259	1	Moore	Family Support	Can you advise if any organisations receiving funding under the Family Support Program have failed to meet their obligations under the terms of their funding agreement?  If yes to the above question, can you advise the number of organisations which have failed to meet their obligations, by state, territory and electorate?  Please advise what action, if any, was taken by the department in relation to this failure to meet obligations under the terms of their funding agreement?	Written	Andrews
260	1	Moore	Family Support	In relation to the decision for DSS to provide \$10.7 million to deliver social services in drought-affected areas, can you detail specifically what services will be provided by for farmers to access?  • How will these services be provided?  • When will these services be made available? Please provide a date.  • How will the department determine if the applicant for the service is to be deemed drought affected?	Written	Andrews

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261	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	Can the department provide information on the research that was done into the effectiveness of marriage education vouchers in keeping couples together?  By whom was this research undertaken and what did it say?	Written	Andrews
262	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	How many departmental officials are working on/worked on the design and or implementation details of the marriage education vouchers program?		Andrews
263	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	How will the marriage education vouchers policy be administered?		Andrews
264	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	Which sorts of organisations will be contracted to deliver the marriage education vouchers? When will it be tendered? How do you apply?		Andrews
265	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	Are there criteria for who is eligible for the marriage education vouchers? Can the department provide a copy of those criteria?		Andrews
266	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	How will the Department communicate the marriage education vouchers program to the public – will there be a public information campaign of any sort?  Will the Department be communicating directly with potentially eligible people?		Andrews
267	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	At which organisations can the marriage education vouchers be used?  Is there a process for determining where the vouchers can be used?		Andrews
268	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	Are there industry guidelines as to what is a 'marriage educator'? If yes, did the Department take these guidelines into account when designing the marriage education voucher program? How? Is there any follow up?		Andrews
269	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	How will the marriage education vouchers program be evaluated?	Written	Andrews
270	1	Moore	Marriage Education Vouchers	The marriage education vouchers program is a 'trial'. What are the benchmarks for whether the trial has been successful?	Written	Andrews
271	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Please provide the latest number of people in receipt of Paid Parental Leave Payments by:  • state/territory;  • electorate;  • sex;  • age;  • Indigenous/non-Indigenous status;  • income in the 12 months prior to receipt of payment;  • partner's income in the 12 months prior to receipt of payment; and  • other payments received by PPL recipients at time of being granted PPL.	Written	Andrews
272	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Please provide the percentage of all mothers for whom PPL has been paid.	Written	Andrews
273	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Please provide the percentage and number of people who also receive employer parental leave, and their income (if available).	Written	Andrews
274	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Paid Parental Leave.  Please provide to current outlays for 2013/2014 for Paid Parental Leave.		Andrews
275	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Please also provide the estimated costs, over the forward estimates, of Parental Leave Payments.	Written	Andrews

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276	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Has the review into the current Paid Parental Leave scheme been completed? If not, what is the timeline for the completion of the review? If so, has the review been provided to the Minister?	Written	Andrews
277	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	How many people have already benefitted from the previous government's PPL scheme? And Dad and Partner Pay?		Andrews
278	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	How does the cost of the current PPL scheme compare with that of the Government's proposed scheme?		Andrews
279	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Is the Department preparing draft legislation for the Government's Paid Parental Leave Scheme? Is there a timeline for the release of that legislation? When will it be released? Will there be time for consultation?		Andrews
280	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	How has the department determined to define wages for calculating the replacement wage? What is the base salary? Has a definition been developed? Whow will superannuation be paid?		Andrews
281	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	What is the nature of the 'work test' for the new scheme?		Andrews
282	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	What will be the rules around transferability under the scheme?		Andrews
283	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	I understand the scheme will involve the Department of Human Services making payments - How much will this cost administratively?  Has this amount been factored into the costs of the scheme?  Has this been agreed with the Department of Human Services?		Andrews
284	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Can you explain the continued interaction between employer schemes and the Government's scheme?  Will employers continue to be able to provide paid parental leave on top of the amount provided under the Government's scheme?	Written	Andrews
285	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Where are negotiations with the state government up to? Have agreement been reached on the state's contributions to the schemes?  Have any agreements with states been signed?  Has there been any progress at all?  Is the Department still working to a July 2015 date of commencement of the scheme?	Written	Andrews
286	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Will the tax on businesses to pay for the scheme be frankable?	Written	Andrews
287	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	If a maximum income limit is different to \$150,000 (for example, if the income limit has been reduced to \$100,000), what is the impact on costs?	Written	Andrews
288	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Is the Department aware of any meetings between the Government and Greens in relation to Paid Parental Leave?  Has the Department briefed the Minister in preparation for a meeting with the Greens in relation to Paid Parental Leave? If yes, please provide details of the brief.	Written	Andrews

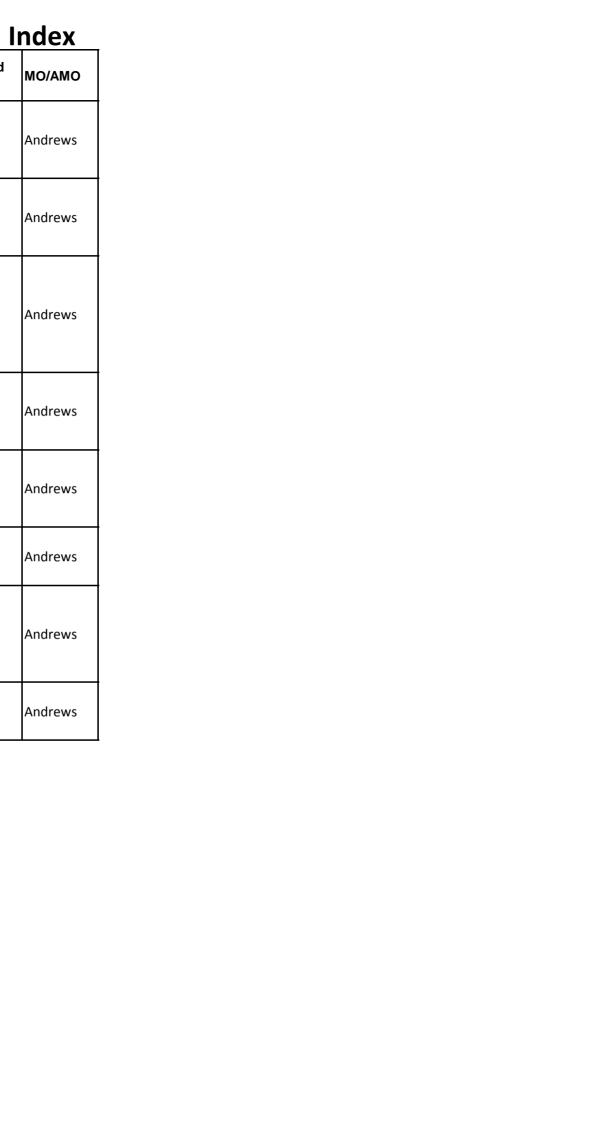
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289	1	Moore	Dad and Partner Pay	Please provide the latest number of people in receipt of Dad and Partner pay by: • state/territory; • electorate; • sex; • age; • Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; • income in the 12 months prior to receipt of payment; • partner's income in the 12 months prior to receipt of payment; and • other payments received by participants at the time of being granted Dad and Partner Pay.	Written	Andrews
290	1	Moore	Dad and Partner Pay	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Dad and Partner Pay. Please provide to current outlays for 2013/2014 for Dad and Partner Pay.	Written	Andrews
291	1	Moore	Dad and Partner Pay	Please also provide the estimated costs, over the forward estimates, of Dad and Partner Pay.	Written	Andrews
292	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Can you provide me with the figures on the costing of the current PPL scheme as opposed to the proposed government scheme?	CA82	Andrews
293	1	Moore	Family Support Program	In regard to the Family Support Program, please provide a list of organisations that are funded under Specialist Services, identifying the funding amount and activity type.	Written	Andrews
294	1	Moore	Family Support Program	How many Family Support Program clients accessed services through Specialist Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory, electorate and activity type.  How many Culturally and Linguistically Diverse clients accessed services through Specialist Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.  How many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander clients accessed services through Specialist Services for 2011-12 through 2013-14? Please provide a breakdown by state, territory and electorate.	Written	Andrews



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295	1	Ludwig	Ministerial Leave	In regard to the Minister's leave during the Christmas break (between the last sitting of Parliament in 2013 and the first sitting in 2014), were there any matters with which the department needed to make contact with the Minister during this time? If so:  i. Please provide a list of these matters and the date they occurred  ii. Please provide a copy of any correspondence, emails, notes between the Minister and the department during this time.  iii. Were there any times that the department was aware that it would be unable to communicate with the Minister?  iv. Were there any times that the department tried to contact the Minister but were unable?  d. Were there any matters with which the department needed to make contact with the acting Minister during this time? If so:  i. Please provide a list of these matters and the date they occurred.  ii. Please provide a copy of any correspondence, emails and notes between the acting Minister and the department during this time.  iii. Were there any times that the department was aware that it would be unable to communicate with the acting Minister?  iv. Were there any times that the department tried to contact the acting Minister but were unable?  v. but were unable?	Written	Andrews
296	1	Carol Brown	Australian Institute of Family Studies	Please provide a full list of current studies being undertaken by the Australian Institute of Family Studies.	CA77	Andrews
297	1	Moore	Paid Parental Leave	Has the government had negotiations or meetings with the Greens in relation to paid parental leave?  Has any agreement with the Greens been reached as the maximum income for eligibility for the scheme?	CA84	Andrews
298	2	McLucas	Social Services Ministerial Advisory Council	I refer to page 73 of the estimates transcript for 27/2/14. Has the Social Services Ministerial Advisory Council, which sits within the portfolio, met to date? If not, when is it proposed to meet?  Who are the members of the Social Services Ministerial Advisory Council? Does it include representatives from the housing and homelessness sectors?	Written	Andrews
299	2	McLucas	Social Services Ministerial Advisory Council	Are any other councils, committees or consultation mechanisms being considered by the Minister? I note comments in Estimates on 27/2/14 (transcript page 73) that "the Minister is considering a range of options at the moment as to how he will ensure comprehensive consultation across stakeholders."	Written	Andrews
300	2	McLucas	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)	Will the NPAH continue beyond June 2014?	Written	Andrews
301	2	McLucas	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)	Will the government announce their intentions for the future of the NPAH prior to the federal budget in May?	Written	Andrews
302	2	McLucas	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)	Please provide a list of organisations by state that receive funding under the NPAH.	Written	Andrews

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303	2	McLucas	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)	How many people have received services funded through the NPAH in the past 12 months?  Approximately how many people are employed in NPAH funded services?	Written	Andrews
304	2	McLucas	National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH)	Have any service providers/organisations funded under the NPAH contacted the department expressing concern about their future funding, including the potential loss of staff due to the uncertainty? If so, how many?	Written	Andrews
305	2	McLucas	National Regulatory Council (Community Housing)	The Commonwealth, States and Territories had agreed to introduce a nationally consistent regulatory system for community housing providers, which was to be the National Regulatory Council. It is subject to a intergovernmental agreement. Did the Commonwealth consult the States and Territories about their intended withdrawal from this before it occurred? If so, when did this occur?	Written	Andrews
306	2	McLucas	National Regulatory Council (Community Housing)	I understand the Commonwealth will no longer be participating in the national regulatory council or contributing any funding to it. How much (\$) was allocated for the establishment and support of the council? How much was spent? What will the remaining funds be allocated to?	Written	Andrews
307	2	McLucas	National Regulatory Council (Community Housing)	Please provide a copy of the letter that the Minister sent on 12 February 2014 to his housing minister counterparts advising the Commonwealth would be withdrawing from the National Regulatory Council (refer to 27/2/14 estimates transcript page 73).	Written	Andrews
308	2	McLucas	National Regulatory Council (Community Housing)	What was to be the role of the Commonwealth in the National Regulatory System for Community Housing and the National Regulatory Council. What will now be the role of Commonwealth?	Written	Andrews
309	2	McLucas	National Regulatory Council (Community Housing)	I refer to comments in estimates on 27/2/14 (transcript page 74) regarding the National Regulatory Council. "If all the states took action in the space to introduce mirror legislation, you would achieve the goal." Has the Minister written to those states that do not have such legislation to encourage them to introduce mirror legislation?		Andrews
310	2	McLucas	National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA)	Will there be a formal submission process regarding the future of the NAHA and any proposed changes?	Written	Andrews



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311	2	McLucas	National Affordable Housing Agreement (NAHA)	I refer to comments made during estimates hearing on 27/2/14 regarding the NAHA.  Page 65 - "he asked for people to write to him if they have views on how those programs can be improved. That is the stage we are at at the moment. It is a consultation phase at the moment."  Page 71 - "The minister at that time sought a response from people on those. At the moment, he is considering the responses received or any others he may receive."  Is this the only consultation process underway regarding potential changes to the NAHA?  Will there be a formal consultation process? If so, when will submissions open? Are there any terms of reference?  Has the Minister written to organisations and individuals in the housing and homelessness sectors requesting their input or proposals about potential changes to the NAHA into the future? If so, who? How many submissions have been received?  Has the Minister written to his State and Territory counterparts requesting their input or proposals about potential changes to the NAHA into the future? Have any submissions been received?	Written	Andrews
312	2	McLucas	Housing affordability	Has the department provided any advice to government about new policy options to address the issue of housing affordability or homelessness?	Written	Andrews
313	2	McLucas	National Housing Supply Council (NHSC)	Has the Minister received any contact from the States and Territories expressing concern about the abolition of the NHSC? If so, from who? Has the Minister received any contact from organisations or individuals in the housing and homelessness or other sectors expressing concern about the abolition of the NHSC? If so, how many?	Written	Andrews
314	2	McLucas	National Housing Supply Council (NHSC)	I note comments made during the estimates hearing on 27/2/14 (transcript page 69). "The minister has outlined in relation to housing more broadly that he wants to take a supply based approach." How does the government intend to receive housing supply data and analysis without the NHSC which was highly utilised and valued by governments and the housing sector?	Written	Andrews
315	2	McLucas	National Housing Supply Council (NHSC)	Is the government considering the re-establishment of the NHSC or a similar federal mechanism?	Written	Andrews
316	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	When will the outcomes of Round 5 of NRAS be announced? Will the government announce the outcome of Round 5 prior to the Federal Budget in May?	Written	Andrews
317	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	How many applications for Round 5 were received? Can you provide a breakdown of these by state/territory?	Written	Andrews
318	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	Will there be any extensions provided to Round 5 applicants if the delayed announcement of outcomes impacts on project delivery?	Written	Andrews
319	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	How much (\$) is allocated to Round 5 of NRAS?	Written	Andrews
320	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	How much is allocated to NRAS over the forward estimates? Please provide a breakdown by financial year (ie funds allocated in 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17)	Written	Andrews

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321	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	In regard to departmental file 2013/04985, have all applicants under the Shovel Ready round of NRAS been notified of the outcome?	Written	Andrews
322	2	McLucas	National Rental Affordability Scheme	Has work commenced in preparation for the next round of the NRAS?	Written	Andrews
323	2	Peris	Homelessness	Can I have an update on homelessness in the Northern Territory. Also what is happening in the NPARIH space and the remote indigenous housing space. Broken down by places like the modern regional centres for homelessness in Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine and Tennant Creek.	CA71-72	Andrews
324	2	Peris	Homelessness	Can you provide information about a partnership with the Northern Territory government, jointly contributing \$54.99 million from 2009-2013 to reduce homelessness.	CA72	Andrews
325	2	McLucas	Housing - National Regulatory Council	Is it possible for me to have a copy of the letter that was sent to organisations with an interest in the National Regulatory Council.	CA74	Andrews
326	2	Ludwig	Ministerial Leave	In regard to the Minister's leave during the Christmas break (between the last sitting of Parliament in 2013 and the first sitting in 2014), did the department contact the Minister or acting Minister during this time? If so: i. Please provide a list of these matters and the date they occurred ii. Please provide a copy of any correspondence, emails, notes etc between the minister and or acting minister and the department during this time.	Written	Andrews
327	3	Siewert	Income Management	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 237 [Provide a breakdown by categories of income management affecting young people placed on income management under the changes introduced on 1 July 2013? How many young people have applied for "exceptions', and how many have been granted?]	Written	Andrews
328	3	Siewert	Income Management	Please provide data on the number of people who have been on income management longer than the compulsory period.	CA109	Andrews
329	3	Moore	Discretionary Grants Programmes	<ol> <li>What is the basis of this program review process, including timeframes and proposed outcomes?</li> <li>What funded organisations have participated in the review?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
331	3	Moore	Support to National Secretariats and Peak Organisations	What advice has the Government provided to funded organisations about employment contracts, leases on buildings, vehicles?	Written	Andrews
332	3	Stephens	Harmonisation of Fund Raising Legislation	How is the Government going to tackle the fundraising harmonisation challenge.	CA103	Andrews
333	3	Stephens	National Secretariat Funding Programme	Can you advise us of whether the funding agreements of any of the national secretariats that are currently funded will run out before the budget period?	CA103	Andrews
334	3	Stephens/ Siewert	Civil Society National Centre of Excellence	Could you take on notice and provide the committee with a detailed list of who has been involved in the Civil Society National Centre of Excellence consultations, and any further consultation sessions that you are planning to hold.	CA104 CA105	Andrews
335	3	Siewert	ACNC - Formal Consultations	Please provide a list of stakeholders from the community sector that the department and minister have spoken to in relation to the ACNC.	CA105	Andrews
336	3	Siewert	ACNC - Formal Consultations	Which peak organisations have you spoken to about the ACNC, broken down by state.	CA105	Andrews

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337	3	Smith	ACNC - Funding	How much funding does the ACNC actually receive.	CA106	Andrews
338	3	Moore	Charities Commissioner	Is it intended that the Tax Commissioner will become the Charities Commissioner?	Written	Andrews
339	3	Moore	Harmonisation of fundraising regulation	How is the government going to progress the issue of harmonisation of fundraising regulation now that this issue has been dropped from the COAG process?	Written	Andrews
340	3	Moore	Financial Counselling	Currently the Federal Government funds the Financial Management Program through the Department of Social Services (formerly FaHCSIA). This funding currently expires on 30 June 2014 with no announcement of ongoing funding. Will the Minister commit to continuing this program funding into the 2014-15 financial year? If not, given the current environment where job losses with major manufacturers and companies are on the increase, what plans does the Minister have to address the urgent need for financial counselling? With what might he propose to replace it?	Written	Andrews
341	3	Moore	Financial Counselling	What arrangements have already been made and being proposed for the extension or maintenance of financial counselling services in areas hit particularly hard by recent announcements of industrial closures or of high existing unemployment?	Written	Andrews
342	3	Moore	Financial Counselling	Is any consideration being given to sector consolidation or cut-backs which might cause the loss of existing local corporate/institutional memory in the delivery of services to vulnerable or isolated people who regularly access financial counselling services?	Written	Andrews
343	3	Xenophon	Financial Counselling	<ol> <li>Please provide the total number of Australians accessing:         <ul> <li>a) face-to-face</li> <li>b) phone financial counselling services, from 1 July 2013 YTD.</li> </ul> </li> <li>What measures have been put in place to keep up with demand given the recent rise in the national unemployment rate to six per cent?</li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
344	3	Siewert	Newstart Allowance	Provide details of the numbers of Newstart Allowance recipients with and without earnings using the following categories:  i. Newstart Allowance  ii. Newstart Allowance (Principal Carer)  iii. Newstart Allowance (Partial Capacity To Work).  Provide a breakdown of the three categories listed above by Aboriginal and Torres Strait island descent and gender.	Written	Andrews
345	3	Siewert	Youth Allowance (Other)	Provide data on the number of job seekers with earnings on Youth Allowance (other).	Written	Andrews
346	3	Siewert	Youth Allowance (Other)	Provide details of the numbers of Youth Allowance (other) recipients with and without earnings into the following categories: i. Youth Allowance (other); ii. Youth Allowance (other) (Principal Carer) iii. Youth Allowance (other) (Partial Capacity). Provide a breakdown of the three categories listed above by Aboriginal and Torres Strait island descent and gender.	Written	Andrews
347	3	Siewert	Newstart Allowance - Duration of Payment	Provide details of all Newstart Allowance recipients by duration on payment: 6 months, 12 months, 12-24 month, 24-36 months, 36-48 months and over 48 months.	Written	Andrews

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348	3	Siewert	Newstart Allowance - Duration of Payment	Provide details of Newstart Allowance recipients aged over 50 by duration on payment: 6 months, 12 months, 12-24 months; 24-36 months, 36-48 months and over 48 months.	Written	Andrews
349	3	Siewert	Newstart Allowance - Older unemployed	Provide the following data by Newstart Allowance recipients aged over 50:  1. Total numbers  2. By age  3. By gender  4. By age and gender  5. By state and territory  6. By Indigenous/non-Indigenous  7. With/without earnings  8. With a Partial Capacity to Work  9. Principal Carers  10. Receiving NSA rate for those over 60 after 9 months on payment  11. Numbers who access activity requirements for those over 55, in total and by gender  12. Receiving Rent Assistance  13. Receiving Carer Allowance (Adult) and Receiving Carer Allowance (Child)  14. By 'vulnerability' indicator  15. With multiple 'vulnerability' indicators.	Written	Andrews
350	3	Moore	Low Income Supplement	Please provide the number of recipients of the Low Income Supplement by:  • state/territory;  • electorate;  • average wage of recipients (in income brackets);  • age of recipients;  • number of dependants (if available); and  • other payments received.	Written	Andrews
351	3	Moore	Low Income Supplement	Please provide the outlays for the Low Income Supplement in 2012/2013. Please provide the outlays for 2013/2014 for the Low Income Supplement.	Written	Andrews
352	3	Moore	Low Income Supplement	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Low Income Supplements.	Written	Andrews
353	3	Moore	Utilities Allowance	Please provide the number of recipients of Utilities Allowance by:  • state/territory;  • electorate; and  • other payment received.	Written	Andrews
354	3	Moore	Utilities Allowance	Please provide the outlays for the Utility Allowance in 2012/2013. Please provide the outlays for 2013/2014 for the Utility Allowance.	Written	Andrews
355	3	Moore	Utilities Allowance	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Utility Allowance.	Written	Andrews
356	3	Moore	Bereavement Allowance	Please provide the number of recipients of Bereavement Allowance by:  • state/territory; and  • electorate.	Written	Andrews

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357	3	Moore	Bereavement Allowance	Please provide the outlays for the Bereavement Allowance in 2012/2013. Please provide the outlays for 2013/2014 for the Bereavement Allowance.	Written	Andrews
358	3	Moore	Bereavement Allowance	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Bereavement Allowance.	Written	Andrews
359	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide the latest number of recipients of the Age Pension by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-3,3-4, 4-5, 5-10, 10+); g. number and percentage reporting employment; h. number and percentage on part rate due to means test; i. reported hours of work undertaken; j. reported income from employment; k. reported income from other assets; and l. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
360	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide current administered outlays for 2013-2014 of the Age Pension.	Written	Andrews
361	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide the most recent projections on the cost of the Age Pension over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
362	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide the most recent data on the ratio of assessed income of pensioners on the age pension to their total income.	Written	Andrews
363	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide the most recent data on the payment accuracy for the Age Pension.	Written	Andrews
364	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Please provide the number of briefs provided to the Ministerial Office by the Department in relation to the Age Pension and the name of those briefs.	Written	Andrews
365	4	Moore	Aged Pension	On how many occasions have officials from the Department met with the Commission of Audit? At what level were the officials that met with the Commission? Secretary? Deputy Secretary?	Written	Andrews
366	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Were particular savings options identified by the Department included in the Department's submission to the Commission of Audit?	Written	Andrews
367	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Has the Department provided written advice to the Commission of Audit or to the Minister about changes to the Age Pension? If yes, what changes were proposed? Did it include possible changes to the Age Pension?	Written	Andrews
368	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Is the Commission of Audit looking at making changes to the Age Pension?	Written	Andrews
369	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Will the Department provide the breakdown of Age Pensioners by age bracket, gender and state/territory and electorate? And, specifically, those who are paid by the Department of Veterans' Affairs (again by age bracket, gender and state/territory and electorate)?	Written	Andrews
370	4	Moore	Aged Pension	Will the Department provide change of address data for those cohorts, as mentioned by Ms Foster?	Written	Andrews

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371	4	Moore	Pension Work Bonus	Please provide the latest number of recipients of the Pension Work Bonus by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous status; f. reported hours of work undertaken; g. reported income from employment; and h. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
372	4	Moore	Pension Work Bonus	Please provide the outlays for the Seniors supplement for 2012/2013.	Written	Andrews
373	4	Moore	Pension Work Bonus	Please provide the most recent projections on the cost of the Pension Work Bonus over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
374	4	Moore	Pension Bonus Scheme	Please provide the most up to date number of people remaining in the Pension Bonus Scheme by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. reported hours worked; e. income from employment; and f. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
375	4	Moore	Pension Bonus Scheme	Please provide the outlays for the Pension Bonus Scheme for 2012/2013. Please provide the current outlays for the Pension Bonus Scheme for 2013/2014.	Written	Andrews
376	4	Moore	Pension Bonus Scheme	Please provide the most up to date number of people who have registered for the Pension Bonus Scheme since 20 September 2009 and had their registration backdated.	Written	Andrews
377	4	Moore	Pension Bonus Scheme	Please provide the current projections for the cost of the pension Bonus Scheme over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
378	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	Which agency and program area is responsible for the downsizing for seniors program?	Written	Andrews
379	4	Moore	Seniors Supplement	Please provide the number of recipients of the Seniors Supplement by: a. state/territory; and b. electorate.	Written	Andrews
380	4	Moore	Seniors Supplement	Please provide the outlays for the Seniors Supplement for 2012/2013. Please provide current administered outlays for the Seniors Supplement for 2013-2014.	Written	Andrews
381	4	Moore	Seniors Supplement	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Seniors Supplement.	Written	Andrews
382	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	Is the downsizing for seniors trial up for review (through the Commission of Audit or other savings process), or is it due to be implemented as per announced date (1 July 2014 commencement)?	Written	Andrews
383	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	In regard to the downsizing for seniors program, how was the 25 year rule for home ownership devised? How many age pensioners have owned their own home for more than 25 years? How was the \$112.4 million figure calculated?	Written	Andrews

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384	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	In regard to the downsizing for seniors program, have any financial institutions been approached for support in setting up the special accounts, in which the quarantined income must be kept?	Written	Andrews
385	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	How will the success of the downsizing for seniors trial be measured? At what point(s) will the evaluation be done?	Written	Andrews
386	4	Moore	Downsizing for Seniors Program	Has the Bill to index the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CSHC) been drafted? When will the Bill be introduced into the Parliament?	Written	Andrews
387	4	Moore	Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card	Please provide the current number of people with a Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card by: a. state/territory; and b. electorate.	Written	Andrews
388	4	Moore	Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card	Please provide the outlays of the Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card for 2012/2013.  Please provide the current outlays for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card for 2013/2014.	Written	Andrews
389	4	Moore	Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card	Please provide the anticipated number of people that will gain access to the Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card when the income threshold is indexed.	Written	Andrews
390	4	Moore	Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card	Please provide the revised costs of the indexed Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card cost over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
391	4	C Brown	Age Pension	Can you tell me how many people access the age pension by:  1. Gender  2. State and territory.	CA23	Andrews
392	4	Seselja	Services for Seniors	Can I please have some updated figures on cardholder numbers with comparisons to previous years for the:  1. Commonwealth Seniors Health Card.  2. Healthcare Card.  3. Low-income Healthcare Card.	CA27	Andrews
393	5	McLucas	Community mental health programs	What community mental health programs is the Department responsible for?	Written	Fifield
394	5	McLucas	NDIS and Community mental health programs	How will the NDIS – as it rolls out - interact with community mental health programs for which the department has responsibility?  How will the rollout of the NDIS affect the future funding of community mental health programs for which the department has responsibility?	Written	Fifield
395	5	McLucas	National Respite for Carers Program	Will the Department provide an update about any discussions or negotiation with stakeholders over the National Respite for Carers Program: the contracts for which expire on 30 June 2014?	Written	Fifield
396	5	McLucas	National Respite for Carers Program	How will the NDIS, as it rolls out, interact with the National Respite for Carers	Written	Fifield
397	5	Siewert	NDIA - Eligible Registrations	Of those who are registering, what is the percentage who are meeting the eligibility criteria.	CA37	Fifield
398	5	Siewert	NDIS - Plans	On how many occasions has a nominee been involved in planning, rather than the individual.	CA38	Fifield

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399	5	Boyce	NDIA - Research Projects	Could you provide, on notice, more information about the research projects:  1. Who is doing them.  2. What they are for.  3. When you are expecting to get the results.	CA40	Fifield
400	5	Moore	NDIA - Reviews	For any reviews currently being conducted by the NDIA, provide for each review;  1. Scope.  2. Purpose of the review.  3. Timeframes.  4. Cost/how it is funded.  5. Who is conducted the review.  6. Tender documents	CA40-42	Fifield
401	5	Moore	NDIA - Readiness Workshops	Can we get any data on the number of workshops that have been run.  Do you have workshops with a particular focus-number of people from the same region, a number of people with similar backgrounds.  How do you determine who goes to what workshop, having regard to the sensitivities of people in a mixed group.	CA43	Fifield
402	5	Moore	Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT	Please provide an update on the Government's announcement of 15 January 2014 regarding the establishment of a payment scheme for supported employees with intellectual disability in ADEs who previously had their wages assessed under the Business Services Wage Assessment Tool (BSWAT).  Is the Department still working towards registration for the scheme opening on 1 July 2014?  When will detailed information on the scheme be provided, noting that registration is scheduled to open on 1 July?  What are the precise eligibility criteria for the scheme?	Written	Fifield
403	5	Moore	Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT	Regarding the establishment of a payment scheme for supported employees with intellectual disability in ADEs who previously had their wages assessed under the Business Services Wage Assessment, Please provide details of the payment formula that will be used to determine payments.  Will payments only be made in relation to work performed in the past — what about wages that have been paid since the Federal Court's decision of December 2012?	Written	Fifield
404	5	Moore	Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT	Regarding the establishment of a payment scheme for supported employees with intellectual disability in ADEs who previously had their wages assessed under the Business Services Wage Assessment, will people have access to independent advice to assist them to make an informed decision about participating in the scheme?	Written	Fifield
405	5	Moore	Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT	Has the department received advice from the Australian Human Rights Commission as to whether the temporary exemption application has been approved to allow an orderly transition from the use of the BSWAT to a new wage assessment process?	Written	Fifield
406	5	Moore	Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT	What work has the Government done on designing a new wage assessment process, including any consultations that have taken place or are planned to take place?	Written	Fifield

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407	5	Siewert	Special Benefit payment	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 225.	Written	Andrews
408	5	Siewert	Disability Support Pension	<ol> <li>For each month for the period 1 July 2013 to 31 December 2013, and the months of January and February 2014, provide the number of Disability Support Pension:         <ol> <li>Claims</li> <li>Rejections</li> <li>Grants</li> </ol> </li> <li>For the period 1 July 2013 to 31 December 2013 provide data on the reasons for:         <ol> <li>Rejections</li> <li>Grants</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	Written	Andrews
409	5	Moore	Special Benefit	Please provide the number of recipients of Special Benefit by:  • state/territory; and  • electorate.	Written	Andrews
410	5	Moore	Special Benefit	Please provide the outlays for the special benefit in 2012/2013. Please provide the outlays for 2013/2014 for the special benefit.	Written	Andrews
411	5	Moore	Special Benefit	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the special benefit.	Written	Andrews
412	5	Siewert	Disability Employment Services & Working Age & Student Payments	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 212.	Written	Andrews
413	5	Siewert	Disability Support Pension	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 217.	Written	Andrews
414	5	Siewert	Disability Support Pension	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 218.	Written	Andrews
415	5	Siewert	Disability Support Pension	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 220.	Written	Andrews
416	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Please provide the grant rate for the DSP and the total number of people on the DSP and the total number of people on the DSP each year from 1996 to the most recent data available.	Written	Andrews
417	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Please provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Disability Support Pension by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate d. sex; e. Indigenous status; f. condition/disability; g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment by disability/condition; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Andrews

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418	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Please provide the administered outlays for the last 5 financial years on the disability support pension.  Please provide the latest data on administered outlays for 2013/2014 for the Disability Support Pension.	Written	Andrews
419	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Please provide the latest data on payment accuracy of the Disability Support Pension.	Written	Andrews
120	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Disability Support Pension.	Written	Andrews
121	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	How many people on the Disability Support Pension have been placed in a job and sustained work (13 and 26 weeks) through the Program of support measure?	Written	Andrews
422	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Is the Department undertaking any preparatory work, including costings that would see young people moved off the DSP onto any other payment?  Is the Department undertaking any preparatory work, including costings that would see young people moved from the current DSP onto another stream or tier of DSP?	Written	Andrews
123	5	Moore	Disability Support Pension (DSP)	Is the Department undertaking any preparatory work, including costings which would see people with a mental illness moved off the DSP onto another payment?  Is the Department undertaking any preparatory work, including costings that would see people with mental illness moved off their current rate of DSP onto another rate of DSP?	Written	Andrews
424	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Carer Payment by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. sex; d. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; e. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); f. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); g. number and percentage reporting other employment; h. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; i. reported hours of work undertaken; j. reported income from employment; k. reported income from other assets; and l. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
425	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the administered outlays for 2012/2013 for the Carer Payment. Please provide the latest administered outlays for 2013/2014 for the Carer Payment.	Written	Andrews
126	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Carer Payment.	Written	Andrews
127	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the payment accuracy for the Carer Payment.	Written	Andrews
428	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the number and percentage of primary carers who are receiving the Carer payment.	Written	Andrews
429	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide the number and percentage of recipients reporting employment income.	Written	Andrews

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430	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide data on the percentage and number of recipients of the Carer Payment on part rate due to the means test.	Written	Andrews
431	5	Moore	Carer Payment	Please provide data on the following:  a. number of people who have exited Carer Payment and gone onto other income support payments from January 2013 to January 2014, broken down by payment types (including Newstart and the Disability Support Pension); and  b. if possible, number of people who have exited Carer Payment and not gone onto other payments from January 2013 to January 2014, broken down by reason for exiting Carer Payment.	Written	Andrews
432	5	Moore	Carer Allowance	Please provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Carer Allowance by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
433	5	Moore	Carer Allowance	Please provide the administered outlays for 2012/2013 for the Carer Allowance. Please provide the latest administered outlays for 2013/2014 for the Carer Allowance.	Written	Andrews
434	5	Moore	Carer Allowance	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Carer Allowance.	Written	Andrews
435	5	Moore	Carer Allowance	Please provide the percentage and number of primary carers who are receiving Carer Allowance.	Written	Andrews
436	5	Moore	Carer Allowance	Please provide the number and percentage caring for a child under 16.	Written	Andrews
437	5	Moore	Child Disability Assistance Payment	Please provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Child Disability Assistance Payment by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (<1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Fifield

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438	5	Moore	Child Disability Assistance Payment	Please provide the administered outlays for 2012/2013 for the Child Disability Assistance Payment Please provide the latest administered outlays for 2013/2014 for the Child Disability Assistance Payment.	Written	Fifield
439	5	Moore	Child Disability Assistance Payment	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Child Disability Assistance Payment.	Written	Fifield
440	5	Moore	Carer Supplement	Can you provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Carer Supplement by  a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Fifield
441	5	Moore	Carer Supplement	Please provide the administered outlays for 2012/2013 for the Carer Supplement. Please provide the latest administered outlays for 2013/2014 for the Carer Supplement.	Written	Andrews
442	5	Moore	Carer Supplement	Please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates, of the Carer Supplement.	Written	Andrews
443	5	Moore	Carers	The Coalition's 2013 election promises included a commitment to establish an industry advisory council for the disability and carer sector. The council was to be co-chaired by a respected industry expert and by the Minister for Disabilities and Carers. The advisory council would provide advice and recommendations on proposed legislation or policies affecting the disability and carer sector. It would convene at least once every six months and the Minister would be required to attend at least two of the council's meetings each year. What is the status of this commitment, including the timeframe for the establishment of the industry advisory council?  How has it been incorporated into Departmental planning and projections?	Written	Fifield

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444	5	Moore	Carers	The Coalition's 2013 election promises included an initial commitment of \$3 million over three years to provide annual bursaries for young carers. It is estimated that 360,000 Australians between the ages of 15 and 25 years of age are carers. There are also many carers under the age of 15 years. It was planned that 150 annual bursaries valued up to \$10,000 would be awarded to young carers aged 25 years or under, on a needs basis, up to a cap of \$1 million per year. What is the status of this commitment, including the timeframe for the establishment of these bursaries?  291. How has it been incorporated into Departmental planning and projections?	Written	Fifield
445	5	Moore	Carers	Will the Department provide an update about any discussions or negotiation with stakeholders over the National Respite for Carers Program: the contracts for which expire on 30 June 2014?	Written	Fifield
446	5	Siewert	NDIA - Best practise service provision	<ol> <li>Has the NDIA developed a competencies and minimum standards framework for registered disability service providers and those employed and contracted in the provision of services within the NDIS?</li> <li>Has or will the NDIA consult with services providers, professional associations and industry associations in the development of this framework?</li> <li>Please provide a list of the service providers, professional associations and industry associations the NDIA will consult or have consulted with in the development of this framework.</li> <li>Given states are responsible for delivering and overseeing the delivery of services within the NDIS, how will the NDIA implement and enforce this framework?</li> <li>What proposed audit processes/systems/programs are in place or envisaged as part of overseeing and implementing this framework?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
447	5	Siewert	NDIA - Accreditation of service providers	<ol> <li>Does the NDIA have an accreditation/endorsement/approval program/process for authorising service providers (organisations and individuals) operating within the NDIS?</li> <li>If so, how many organisations and individuals have received this accreditation?</li> <li>Please list the individuals and organisations who have received this accreditation/endorsement/approval within this program/process.</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
448	5	Siewert	NDIA - Accreditation of service providers	There are organisations claiming, on their publicity material, they are "NDIA APPROVED" as a service provider. What is the approved way of communicating on promotional material that organisations/individuals have received accreditation/ endorsement/approval, that is use of an official sticker/stamp/logo?	Written	Fifield
449	5	Siewert	NDIA - Accreditation of service providers	What is being done to ensure people with disability understand what being an accredited/endorsed/approved service provider means?	Written	Fifield

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450	5	Siewert	NDIA and Medibank Private	Has there been a meeting between the NDIA and Medibank Private? If yes:  1. What was this meeting about?  2. Was the idea of Medibank Private being a service provider within the NDIS discussed?  3. Has the NDIA met with Medibank Private again, since 7 September 2013?  4. Does the NDIA have any future meetings planned with Medibank Private or any other private health insurance provider?  5. If so, when are these meetings?  6. Which health insurance providers are you meeting with and what are the purposes of these planned meetings?	Written	Fifield
451	5	Siewert	NDIA and the NSW State Minister	1) Since November 2013, has the NDIA met with NSW Minister Ajaka? 2) If not, given that the NDIA has not met with the NSW Minister for Disability – Minister Ajaka, how is the NDIA monitoring the implementation implications of the 2013 NSW Enabling Bill and the transfer of all disability service assets (both property and personnel) to the private/non-government sector?	Written	Fifield
452	5	Siewert	NDIA and NSW Government's role in the NDIS	How is the NDIA ensuring disability expertise is being retained in the NSW Government and not lost through this transition period?	Written	Fifield
453	5	Siewert	NDIA and NSW Government's role in the NDIS	What role will the NDIA have in ensuring that existing government disability service standards are maintained in the transfer to the private/non-government sector?	Written	Fifield
454	5	Siewert	NDIA and NSW Government's role in the NDIS	What role will the NDIA have in creating opportunities for future workforce development in the various NDIS delivery jurisdictions, for example management of student field work placements?	Written	Fifield
455	5	Siewert	NDIA and NSW Government's role in the NDIS	What is being done in the NDIA to address the ongoing training and learning needs of the various service providers within all areas of the NDIS?	Written	Fifield
456	5	Siewert	NDIA and block funding	<ol> <li>What feedback has the NDIA sought on block funding issues?</li> <li>What are the emerging issues/trends/needs arising from this feedback to date?</li> <li>When will the NDIA be announcing policies around block funding?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
457	5	Siewert	NDIA and Commission of Audit	Has the NDIA submitted or been asked to submit comment to the Federal Government's Commission of Audit? - If so, please provide a copy of the submission.	Written	Fifield
458	5	Siewert	NDIA and Government's Efficiency Dividend	Is the NDIA involved in implementing the Government's efficiency dividend? - If so, what is the NDIA doing to implement this	Written	Fifield
459	5	Siewert	NDIS - Justice system	Will the NDIS be providing access to disability funding and services to people detained either under supervision or custody orders or indefinitely under mental impairment legislation in gaols and psychiatric institutions?	Written	Fifield

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460	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. number of walk-ins to launch site offices each month since July 2013, by launch site. b. outcomes from walk-ins to launch site offices each month since July 2013, by launch site.	Written	Fifield
461	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. the number of hits on the NDIS website, including hits on the My Access Checker, by state (YTD, with cumulative monthly totals).	Written	Fifield
462	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data:  a. demographics of eligible participants by launch site, including disability type, age, gender, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status and CALD status.	Written	Fifield
463	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. number of people who have been assessed as eligible for the NDIS who do not yet have plans approved, split by disability type, age, gender, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status and CALD status. b. number of people with approved plans, split by disability type, age, gender, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status and CALD status.	Written	Fifield
464	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data:  a. number of applicants to date that have been deemed ineligible for the NDIS and grounds on which they have been found ineligible.	Written	Fifield
465	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. number of family members or carers who have been involved in assessment processes. b. number of NDIS participants who have requested respite support for their family/carer in their individual support package.	Written	Fifield
466	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data:  a. the mix of services provided in approved plans, by launch site.  b. financial value of funded support in plans, by launch site.	Written	Fifield
467	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data:  a. the average time lapse from submitting an access request form to when an assessment is conducted, and to when a plan is approved.	Written	Fifield
468	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. for individuals who require additional supports (i.e. on top of their current arrangements), the average time before those services are accessed.	Written	Fifield
469	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. number of provider registrations, by launch site.	Written	Fifield
470	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. total number of reviews prompted by dissatisfied clients by launch site. b. outcomes from completed reviews, by launch site.	Written	Fifield
471	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. analysis of how the mix of services identified in plans differ from the mix of services being provided prior to participation in the NDIS.	Written	Fifield
472	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data:  a. analysis of how the costs of plans differ from the costs of services being accessed before participation in the NDIS.	Written	Fifield



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473	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. aggregate number of fraud cases, by launch site.	Written	Fifield
474	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. staffing numbers in NDIA launch site offices, including current staffing numbers and numbers of staff budgeted for in each office.	Written	Fifield
475	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide the following current launch site data: a. turnover of staff in each NDIA office, including reasons for departure.	Written	Fifield
476	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Please provide an implementation update on the Sector Development Fund (the previous government committed \$122.6 million over four years in the 2012-13 Budget).	Written	Fifield
477	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	What input, if any, did the Department provide into the NDIA's Second Quarterly Report?	Written	Fifield
478	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	With regards to the launch of the NDIS in Western Australia, please advise:  a. Has the Commonwealth and Western Australia signed an intergovernmental agreement on the launch of the NDIS in WA?  b. If so, please provide a copy of the intergovernmental agreement.  c. If not, why not, and what is the timeframe for the signing of an intergovernmental agreement?	Written	Fifield
479	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	With regards to preparations for the full rollout of the NDIS, please advise: a. Have negotiations between the Commonwealth and states and territories started for the phasing of the scheme beyond the launch sites? b. What is the process in place for these negotiations? c. What progress has been made? d. Which organisations and/or individuals are involved or are being consulted in these negotiations? e. Can the Government confirm that the timeline for the full rollout of the NDIS committed to be the previous Government is on track? f. Can the Government rule out making any changes to this timeline?	Written	Fifield
480	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	With regards to meetings between the Department and/or the NDIA and Medibank Private, please advise:  a. Has the Department and/or the NDIA met with Medibank Private since the meeting between the NDIA and Medibank Private of 7 September 2013?  b. What were the outcomes of the meeting of 7 September and any subsequent meetings?  c. Does the Department and/or the NDIA have any future meetings scheduled with Medibank Private, if so, on which dates and who will be attending?	Written	Fifield
481	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	When was the last time any officer (and which officer/s) met with Medibank Private? And the total number of times the Department has met with Medibank Private since the election?	Written	Fifield

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482	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Have any officers from the Department ever discussed the role of the National Disability Insurance Agency with Medibank Private? If so, what was the nature of those discussions?	Written	Fifield
483	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the Department provided advice to the Minister (or has the Minister requested advice) about what functions might be transferred from the NDIA to Medibank Private?	Written	Fifield
184	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	How is the Government measuring and monitoring state and territory maintenance of effort obligations under the intergovernmental agreements?	Written	Fifield
185	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Given the current fiscal environment and the Budget cuts that the Government has flagged, how will the Government ensure all people with disability are getting access to the services they need, including those people who are not eligible for the NDIS?	Written	Fifield
486	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the National Disability Insurance Agency allocated funding for the purposes of the provision of appropriate housing for NDIS participants? If so, how much? If not, why not?	Written	Fifield
487	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	What work is the Department doing on the stock of disability housing?  a. For example, does the Department know what the current housing needs are? If not, what work is the Department doing to assess the current housing needs of people with disability in Australia?  b. What work has commenced on potential Commonwealth investment in disability housing?  c. Has the National Institute of Labour Studies Consortium been specifically asked to evaluate the impact of the Scheme on carers – in particular, whether the supports to the person they care for has reduced the burden of care and to what extent, and whether carers have been able to increase their participation in employment and/or training?	Written	Fifield
488	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the Department commenced any work on any changes to the detail of the NDIS since the election? If so, please detail the nature of that work.	Written	Fifield
189	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the Minister commissioned any work from the Department canvassing any changes to the NDIS since the election? If so, please provide details.	Written	Fifield
190	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	In what ways might the NDIS be changed to lower costs? Is a delay to the rollout being considered as an option for reducing costs? Is a cap on the level of support provided to people an option being considered as a means of reducing costs?	Written	Fifield
191	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the Department had any discussions with state and territory departments about the possibility of making any changes at all to the intergovernmental agreements for both the launch phase and full rollout of the NDIS? If yes, please identify which states and which elements of the agreements?	Written	Fifield
492	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Is any work being done (or in the pipeline) either by DSS, the NDIA or by a third party, looking at the timeframes for rollout, both for the launch phase and full roll out?	Written	Fifield

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493	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	With regards to the NDIA review on cost drivers, previously flagged by the Government as being due in March 2014, please advise:  • What is the timeline for the review – is it on track to report in March?  • Will the report be made public? If not, why? If so, on what date will the report be made public?  • What is the scope of the review?  • What are terms of reference for the review?	Written	Fifield
494	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	How many reviews have been commissioned, either by the Government, DSS or the NDIA, into the NDIS and/or NDIA? Please provide details on the scope and reporting timeframes for all reviews that have been commissioned.	Written	Fifield
495	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Has the Department/NDIA formally or informally commissioned Boston Consulting Group, or any other private consulting firm, to do any work on the NDIS and/or NDIA? If no, has the Secretary or any member of the SES in the department had any informal discussions with Boston Consulting Group, in relation the NDIS since the election of the Abbott Government? If yes, what was the nature of those discussions? What is the nature of that work? What is the scope of the work they are doing?	Written	Fifield
496	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Have any documents been drawn up in relation to the scope of the work that Boston Consulting Group is undertaking?  If so, could these documents please be provided to the committee?	Written	Fifield
497	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Is the Department or the NDIA providing any input to any element of the work being done by Boston Consulting Group? Is there participation from any other external stakeholders? Is there any public process at all? What is the intention behind the work being done?	Written	Fifield
498	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	When will Boston Consulting Group report to the Government/Department/NDIA? Will the report be made public?	Written	Fifield
199	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Is the Department/NDIA paying for this work? If so, how much?	Written	Fifield
500	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Will the Department provide any documents relating to the "request for quotation to a number of providers" which resulted in the selection of the Boston Consulting Group for this process?	Written	Fifield
501	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Will the NDIA Board provide to the Committee details (including but not limited to the project description, scope of work, timeframe, intent and cost) about the review of agency capability undertaken by Mr Whalan, Dr Harmer and Mr Anston? Will the NDIA provide a copy of the review to the Committee?	Written	Fifield
502	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Will the NDIA provide details (including any available data) about the NDIS readiness workshops Mr Bowen referred to in his answer to Senator Smith [Hansard 27 February, page 34]?	Written	Fifield

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503	5	Moore	National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS)	Will the NDIA provide details about any workshops they have conducted with a particular focus, e.g. people from the same region, people with similar backgrounds? How do you determine who goes to what workshop, having regard to the sensitivities of people in a mixed group? And any other information available about that process?	Written	Fifield
504	5	Boyce	NDIS - Reviews	Can we get information on the scope of the NDIS KPMG review and the work that has been done which feeds into the report back to COAG.	CA40	Fifield
505	6	Moore	National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children	Will the Department advise of the progress on the implementation timetable for the Second Plan under the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children? And the role of the Inter-Departmental Committee working on that process?	Written	Andrews
506	6	Moore	National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children	Will the Department advise of the progress and findings to date of the Inter- Departmental Committee wherein DSS discusses issues relating to trafficking?	Written	Andrews
507	6	Moore	National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children	Will the Department advise the Committee of the membership of the Inter- Departmental Committee covering issues relating to Paid Parental Leave? And their meeting schedule to date?	Written	Andrews
508	8	Polley	My Aged Care website	Please outline the changes to the My Aged Care website that are required to assist consumers and ensure providers meet their consumer directed care requirements.	Written	Fifield
509	8	Polley	My Aged Care website	What budget allocation remains to update and continue developing the My Aged Care website?	Written	Fifield
510	8	Polley	My Aged Care website	Please outline the formal arrangements in place to consult with stakeholders in relation to these changes, including a list of stakeholders involved.	Written	Fifield
511	8	Polley	Ministerial collaboration	Please outline the structures that are in place or to be implemented to ensure linkages between the Minister for Health and the Minister for Social Services or his Assistant Minister for Social Services? Particularly in relation to issues which cross portfolios, such as Dementia care and research, and Palliative Care?	Written	Fifield
512	8	Polley	Ministerial collaboration	Please outline the structure in place or to be implemented to ensure linkages between the Minister responsible for vocational education and training and the Minister for Social Services or his Assistant Minister?	Written	Fifield
513	8	Polley	Collaboration between departments on clinical areas	When will formal arrangements between the Department of Health and Department of Social Services be in place to ensure collaboration and cooperation on clinical, research and other areas of cross-over?	Written	Fifield

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514	8	Xenophon	Aged Care Workforce Innovation Network - Reform Ready Review	In April 2012, the former Government announced the Living Longer, Living Better aged care reform. As part of this reform, the Government established an initiative known as the Workforce Innovation Network, managed by the Community Services and Health Industry Skills Council, to undertake Reform Ready Reviews of Aged Care providers. These reviews, as I understand, were offered in a limited number of local government areas and were designed to assist provider prepare their respective organisations for the Living Longer, Living Better aged care reforms. Can you please advise the following:  1. What is the current status of this initiative?  2. How many reviews have occurred?  3. What mechanisms are in place to determine the effectiveness of the reviews?  4. What will become of the Reform Ready Review process from 1 July 2014?  5. What other initiatives are being considered by the department to assist providers to reposition their organisations for the proposed Living Longer, Living Better aged care reforms?	Written	Fifield
515	8	Xenophon	Healthy Life, Better Ageing Agreement	1) What has happened to the Healthy Life, Better Ageing Agreement the Coalition promised at the last election that it would enter into with the aged care sector including industry and other stakeholders and, in particular, what meetings has the Government/Department held to effect this agreement?  a. Please provide details of organisations and participants and the dates of these meetings.  2) Have any advisory boards or related bodies been appointed to advance the agreement referred to? If so, please provide details.  3) Further to Q2, what bodies, including any committees, have been established since September 2013 to advise the Government on Aged Care issues?  a. Please advise of the make-up of these entities and of any ethnic/multicultural representation.	Written	Fifield
516	8	Polley	Certificate III Courses in aged care	How is the Minister or his Assistant Minister addressing quality issues and variances in the Certificate III courses in aged care which vary by training provider and state and territory?	Written	Fifield
517	8	Polley	Dementia funding/package	How much input will the Minister for Social Services, or his Assistant Minister, have in the allocation of Dementia research funding and policies surrounding dementia research?	Written	Fifield
518	8	Polley	Dementia funding/package	In regard to the measures that are part of the dementia package - a \$268 million package over five years — which includes more support for timely diagnosis of dementia in primary care and expansion of the scope of dementia behaviour management advisory services. Please provide an update on the implementation of these important measures.	Written	Fifield

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519	8	Polley	Ministerial involvement in National Dementia Advisory Group	Please advise of the Minister or his Assistant Minister's involvement with the National Dementia Advisory Group.  Please advise the Department's involvement with the National Dementia Advisory Group, including a list of those directly involved with the group.  Please provide an update of the National Dementia Advisory Group's work and progress since September 2013.	Written	Fifield
520	8	Polley	Dementia and Behavioural Supplements	1) How much has been expended on Dementia and behavioural supplements? How does this compare with budget forecasts? 2) Are further funds required for this supplement? If so, how is the Department addressing that? 3) How much does the Department anticipate will be required to meet the demand between now and 30 June 2014? 4) Will the Minister outline what steps he has taken to ensure the supplements are adequately funded to meet future demands? 5) Please provide a breakdown of where the dementia and behavioural supplements are expended by state and territory, including metropolitan, regional, rural and remote locations, and home care and residential care.	Written	Fifield
521	8	Polley	My Aged Care website	Please outline numbers of calls to the hotline, or enquiries on the My Aged Care web site relating to changes to residential care pricing.	Written	Fifield
522	8	Polley	Home Care and Support	<ol> <li>Please outline the progress towards implementation and establishing the Home Support Program.</li> <li>Please outline the formal arrangements in place to consult with stakeholders in relation to these changes, including a list of stakeholders involved.</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
523	8	Polley	Home Care and Support	Please provide detailed information on the growth in home care services since 2012, including state and territory breakdowns and by regions.	Written	Fifield
524	8	Polley	Home Care and Support	Is there an official review of the range of home support services available? If so, please outline the progress of this review.	Written	Fifield
525	8	Polley	Home Care and Support	What progress is being made to ensure a nationally consistent approach to fees? What are the underlying priorities?	Written	Fifield
526	8	Polley	Home Care and Support	Will all contracts with NRCP, DTC and ACHA service providers expire before the implementation of a comprehensive Home Support program?	Written	Fifield
527	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Outline the measures and processes the Department and/or the Aged Care Pricing Commission have used to ensure the Accommodation Pricing Assessor Manual and the Application forms reduce red tape for aged care providers?	Written	Fifield
528	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Please provide the instruments/tools used to measure red tape reduction when developing the Pricing Assessor Manual, provider forms and requirements.	Written	Fifield
529	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Is the Department and/or the Aged Care Pricing Commission aware of areas of confusion between the Accommodation Pricing Assessor Manual and the Application forms	Written	Fifield
530	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Which has primacy: the Accommodation Pricing Assessor Manual or the Application Forms?	Written	Fifield

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531	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	What is the Department and/or the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner doing to clarify areas of confusion between the Accommodation Pricing Assessor Manual and the Application Forms? For instance the Manual states that "cost of supply components are not required information: just those relevant to the particular application." The Application forms do not make this clear.	Written	Fifield
532	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	As the Guide and Application Forms are continually varied, albeit subtly, which form or version can be relied upon? Which form has primacy if they are inconsistent? What measures are in place to ensure new documents clearly outline which version is in use?	Written	Fifield
533	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Where the further information specified is not provided within 28 days the application is taken to be withdrawn. Please explain the implication of this for providers. Does this mean that if the Application was not refused it can be resubmitted within the four month timeframe?	Written	Fifield
534	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Assessors are required to consider median house prices suburb by suburb, bond levels by locality and historical bond levels for existing facilities and application price. There is no mention of assessors being required to consider "other" circumstances. Can the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner outline how providers can argue special circumstances to support the price application?	Written	Fifield
535	8	Polley	Pricing Assessor Manual	Please outline the various pricing structures and assessment methodologies for metropolitan areas and remote, rural and regional centres where the median house price is very low or where properties cannot be sold?	Written	Fifield
536	8	Polley	Bonds	<ol> <li>How many defaults on the Bonds Scheme have there been this financial year and calendar year?</li> <li>Please outline the causes of these defaults.</li> <li>How much have these defaults cost the bond pool?</li> <li>Please outline a breakdown of defaults by state and territory, regions, freehold and arm's length leasehold operators.</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
537	8	Polley	Bonds	<ul><li>1) How much is held in residential bonds at this moment? What is the percentage of the defaults?</li><li>2) What strategies are in place to minimise the risk of defaults?</li></ul>	Written	Fifield
538	8	Polley	Quality Agency / Complaints	<ol> <li>Please outline the complaints made this financial year - including to the Aged Care Standards and Accreditation Agency, the Aged Care Complaints Scheme and to the Aged Care Quality Agency, including the nature of the complaints, by state and territory, and region.</li> <li>How many of these complaints were resolved and how many are ongoing?</li> <li>How many complaints are received about the Complaints Scheme or processes themselves?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield

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540	8	Polley	Quality Agency / Complaints	<ol> <li>Please outline the complaints forwarded to or made directly to the Aged Care Commissioner, including the nature of the complaints, by state and territory, and region.</li> <li>How many of these complaints were resolved? Are ongoing?</li> <li>What actions have been taken against providers?</li> <li>Please outline what actions have been taken against St Luke's Nursing Home in Elizabeth Bay, NSW.</li> <li>Have all complaints been finalised? If not, what is the progress of these complaints?</li> <li>Is compensation available for family members if breaches have led to the death of a patient?</li> <li>What options are available if complainants feel their concerns still have not been addressed?</li> <li>Please outline what actions have been taken against St Jude's nursing home in Victoria.</li> <li>Are any complaints outstanding?</li> <li>What weight is given to complaints relating to the mobility of patients? How are these assessed?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
541	8	Polley	Remote, Rural and Regional	Is there a dedicated unit and / or staff to address aged care in remote, rural and regional Australia? If yes, how many and where are they located?	Written	Fifield
542	8	Polley	Remote, Rural and Regional	<ol> <li>Is there a dedicated unit and/or staff to address aged care in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, both remote and urban? If yes, how many and where are they located? How many identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?</li> <li>What is being done to address the aged care needs of these communities?</li> <li>Please outline the number of visits departmental staff have made to these communities in this financial year?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
543	8	Polley	Remote, Rural and Regional	<ol> <li>Has the Department visited Broken Hill to investigate issues with the Council owned facility? If not, are there plans to do so?</li> <li>Has the Minister or his Assistant Minister visited Broken Hill? If not are there plans to do so?</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
544	8	Polley	Remote, Rural and Regional	<ul><li>1) Has the Department visited the Tracy Aged Care facility in Darwin? If not are there plans to do so?</li><li>2) Has the Minister or his Assistant Minister visited the Tracy Aged Care facility in Darwin? If not are there plans to do so?</li></ul>	Written	Fifield
545	8	Polley	Remote, Rural and Regional	What will the Government do to support remote, rural and regional communities where facilities are inadequate, ageing and no longer fit for purpose? Or in some cases, non-existent?	Written	Fifield
546	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	What are the terms of the reference for the new Aged Care Sector Committee?	Written	Fifield
547	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	What budget allocation is there for the running of the Aged Care Sector Committee? Please provide a breakdown of how those funds will be spent, including amounts for the Chair and board members.	Written	Fifield
548	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	How often will the Aged Care Sector Committee meet?	Written	Fifield
549	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	How often will the Aged Care Sector Committee report? Who will they report to?	Written	Fifield

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550	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	What statutory authority will the Aged Care Sector Committee have?	Written	Fifield
551	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	What role if any will the Aged Care Sector Committee play in policy development?	Written	Fifield
552	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	What role, if any, will the Aged Care Sector Committee play in the implementation of reforms?	Written	Fifield
553	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	How often will the Minister or his Assistant Minister meet with the Aged Care Sector Committee?	Written	Fifield
554	8	Polley	Aged Care Sector Committee	The Aged Care Sector Committee contains one union representative, from the Nurses and Midwifery Federation, but no one representing the many aged care workers not employed as nurses. How will their voice be heard or how will they be officially represented?	Written	Fifield
555	8	Polley	Medicare	Regarding Medicare, please outline what collaborative arrangements are in place between DSS and Department of Human Services, particularly as DHS pays home care providers?	Written	Fifield
556	8	Polley	Medicare	Has DHS provided advice on how many home care providers were impacted by issues surrounding the new Medicare payment system? If so, please provide details of how many and how much providers were not paid?	Written	Fifield
557	8	Polley	Medicare	Has DHS provided an indication of when the Medicare issues will be fixed? If so, when? Are there formal arrangements to ensure DHS reports to you when there are issues?	Written	Fifield
558	8	Polley	Aged Care Funding Instrument (ACFI)	Please outline the role of the Aged Care Funding Instrument (ACFI). Does it have any prudential role or is it simply to monitor bonds?	Written	Fifield
559	8	Polley	Workforce Supplement	<ul><li>1) What does the Government consider the pressing Workforce issues are in the aged care sector?</li><li>2) Please outline the measures the Government is taking to address the workforce issue.</li></ul>	Written	Fifield
560	8	Polley	Residential Care changes	Please provide a communication plan to outline and explain the changes to the aged care pricing arrangements to providers, including copies of any advertising, publications and links to any materials on the website.	Written	Fifield
561	8	Polley	Residential Care changes	Please provide a communication plan to outline and explain the changes to the aged care pricing arrangements to consumers, including copies of any advertising, publications and links to any materials on the website.	Written	Fifield
62	8	Polley	Residential Care changes	What role do you have in ensuring the sector is well-prepared for the residential care changes on 1 July 2014?	Written	Fifield
63	8	Polley	Residential Care changes	What are the main issues facing residential care providers and the department as they prepare for the changes?	Written	Fifield
564	8	Polley	Residential Care changes	What work is being done to ensure aged care providers are adequately equipped and prepared for the changes from 1 July 2014?	Written	Fifield
565	8	Polley	Workforce Supplement	<ol> <li>Please provide a list of providers who applied for the Workforce Supplement by care type - home, community, residential, by state and territory, and by for profit and not for profit agencies.</li> <li>Please provide the same list but those still receiving the Supplement.</li> </ol>	Written	Fifield
566	8	Polley	Workforce Supplement	Please outline how much the Workforce Supplement will cost over the forward estimates.	Written	Fifield

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567	8	Polley	Workforce Supplement	What is the period of time providers will receive the Workforce Supplement? Is this guaranteed for the period they signed up for? If not, what will be done to compensate them?	Written	Fifield
568	8	Polley	Workforce Supplement	<ul><li>1) When will the Government provide a decision on how the funds allocated to the Workforce Supplement be allocated?</li><li>2) Will those funds remain in the Aged Care area? If so, how will they be utilised to address workforce issues?</li></ul>	Written	Fifield
569	8	McLucas	Aged Care Workforce Supplement	Can you provide the number of providers who opted in at the beginning and then the number as of today that have retained it by type. Also the overall quantum and the reasons for people opting out.	CA49	Fifield
570	8	McLucas	Aged Care Workforce Supplement	Was there any split of opting in and maintaining engagement with the supplement for regional and remote areas? Was there any obvious desire to be engaged by people who are in remote and regional areas, given they are the ones who are facing the largest challenge?	CA50	Fifield
571	8	McLucas	Living Longer Living Better Medicare Changes	Could you provide the committee the communications plan for the Living Longer, Living Better 1 July 2014 changes?	CA52	Fifield
572	8	McLucas	Aged Care Facilities	Would any of that step-down money have gone to the short-term visitor accommodation facility at the Royal Darwin Hospital.	CA55	Fifield
573	8	McLucas	Home Support Programme	Please provide the committee with an understanding of the consultation plan for	CA56-57	Fifield
74	8	McLucas	Aged Care - Steering Committee	What is the estimated cost of establishing the Aged Care Steering Committee.	CA58	Fifield
575	8	McLucas	Aged Care - Torres Strait Aged Care Master Plan	Please provide the tender documentation for the Torres Strait Aged Care Master Plan.	CA61	Fifield
576	8	Smith	Aged Care - Complaints	With regard to Aged Care complaints, how many have been received in this financial year? And how many of those were referred to police?	CA59	Fifield
577	8	Peris	Aged Care Facilities	Can you advise how many aged-care facilities there are in the Northern Territory.	CA53-54	Fifield
578	8	Peris	Aged Care Facilities	There is an aged-acre and disability facility at East Arnhem Land. You provided	CA54	Fifield
579	8	Peris	Aged Care Facilities	What additional funding has the Northern Territory Government received to assist hospitals that are taking on the extra burden of looking aged care patients.	CA54	Fifield
580	8	Peris	Aged Care Facilities	Have there been any applications to establish or build new aged care facilities in the Northern Territory, including information around the expansion of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Programme.	CA54	Fifield
581	8	Peris	Aged Care Facilities	Do you know, or are you aware of, how many aged-care patients are currently residing in hospitals due to aged -care shortages.	CA54	Fifield
582	8	Polley	Pricing Commissioner role	Please outline precisely what the role of the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner is?	Written	Fifield
583	9	Siewert	Characteristics of income support recipients	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 223.	Written	Andrews

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584 585	10	Siewert Moore	Youth Allowance  Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Please provide an update of Supplementary Estimates QoN 224.  How has the Department been communicating changes regarding Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP) funding with the successful applicants?  Has the Department received any complaints from applicants?  Were the complaints responded to?  What was the outcome of the complaints?	Written Written	Andrews
586	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Did the staff members that were dealing directly with the BMCP move to the Department of Social Services with the Machinery of Government transfer? How many staff were transferred?	Written	Andrews
587	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Did these staff take any correspondence received, including emails, regarding the BMCP with them to DSS?  If not, was someone at Immigration responding to this correspondence and referring it to DSS?  If not, why was it appropriate to leave this correspondence not responded to?  If any correspondence or relevant files were left at Immigration, will they be transferred to DSS? If no, why not?	Written	Andrews
588	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Were any emails or paperwork regarding funding agreements lost or misplaced in the changeover from Immigration to DSS? If yes, was a search conducted for the missing documents?	Written	Andrews
589	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Activate Community Services have publicly said that they returned their signed agreement to DSS within the timeframe allocated, but still did not receive their funding. Why was their agreement not signed and executed by DSS? Was a decision made for the Department to not sign the funding agreement between Activate Community Services (also known as the Welcome Centre) and the Department of Social Services or was the agreement simply not executed due to human error or staff incompetence?	Written	Andrews
590	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	If a decision was formally made to not complete funding agreements between Activate Community Services (also known as the Welcome Centre), along with hundreds of other community organisations, who made the decision? Was it the Department of Social Services? Was it Minister Kevin Andrews and/or his office? Was it Parliamentary Secretary Fierravanti-Wells and/or her office? When was the decision made?	Written	Andrews
591	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	On 25 October 2013, the Assistant Secretary of the Settlement and Multicultural Programmes Branch signed a letter explaining the Machinery of Government: Transfer to the Department of Social Services. On Page 2 of this letter it states "You can be assured that existing and executed contracts and funding agreements remain in place and business-as-usual activity continues." If organisations had submitted their paperwork to receive allocated funding, why were these agreements not executed?	Written	Andrews

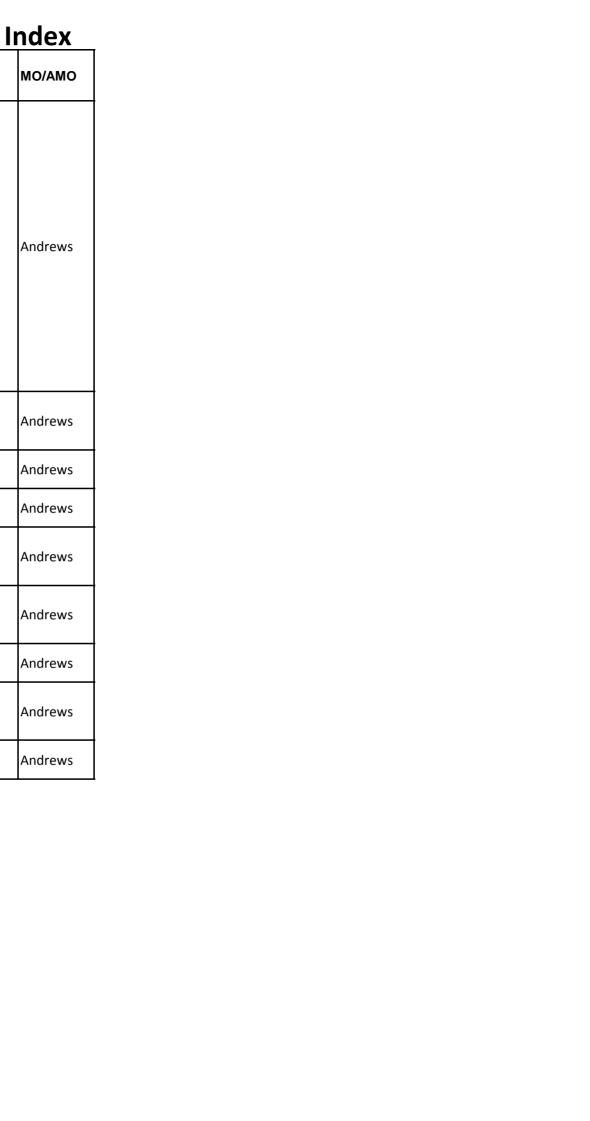
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592	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Activate Community Services (also known as the Welcome Centre), was allocated \$160,000. This organisation signed their copy of the contract and returned it to the Department of Immigration. Kate Leaney, the Manager of the Welcome Centre, said in a press release that she was given the impression the agreement had been signed off in the Department. Why did the Department lead Ms Leaney to believe that the agreement had been secured?	Written	Andrews
593	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	What amount of funding was allocated to the Gungahlin Jets Football Club? The Gungahlin Jets have said that they planned to use their funds allocated to fit a security roller door and security cameras, amongst other things. The Gungahlin Jets' premises were broken into and robbed on 13 February 2014. Could this have been prevented if the Government had complied and awarded the Gungahlin Jets their allocated funding?  The Gungahlin Jets' said on 2CC Radio on 17 February 2014 that they have been promised some reimbursement from the Government. What amount of reimbursement will they be receiving?	Written	Andrews
594	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Regarding the Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP) funding, are any other organisations receiving reimbursement? If no, why not?	Written	Andrews
595	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	The Newcastle and Hunter Ethnic Communities Council began upgrading their premises after being allocated \$159,217. They have spent approximately \$39,000 in total. The Department has promised to reimburse them \$4500. Why is the Newcastle and Hunter Ethnic Communities Council only receiving such a small amount of reimbursement? Why are they not receiving the full amount for what they have already spent?	Written	Andrews
596	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Did the Department call the South Australian German Association and inform them that they would receive some money?  Is this money reimbursement for costs incurred, or is this a portion of their allocated grant?	Written	Andrews
597	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	How and when was the decision made to award some organisations a portion of reimbursement for costs incurred?  Who was responsible in this decision making process?	Written	Andrews
598	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Why are some organisations being informed of updates to their grants or reimbursements via telephone call? Why are they not receiving this information in writing?	Written	Andrews
599	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Is reimbursement guaranteed to the organisations that have received phone calls or can they expect to lose their reimbursement just like they lost their funding?	Written	Andrews
600	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Did the Acting Section Manager of the Grants Management Branch receive email correspondence from the Filipino Australian Society of the Hunter Valley on 9 September 2013?  Did the Acting Section Manager of the Grants Management Branch receive messages to return calls to the Filipino Australian Society of the Hunter Valley in the weeks following the 9 September 2013?  Why were these calls and emails not returned?	Written	Andrews

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601	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	In the letter from former Minister Lundy on 5 August 2013, organisations were instructed to email bmcp.info@immi.gov.au for further information. Was this email address monitored and was this email address transferred to the Department of Social Services once the Machinery of Government transfer was completed?  There was also a 1800 phone number on the same letter from Minister Lundy. Was this number transferred to DSS? If no, why not?  If the number was transferred to DSS, was it being answered and was a message bank fitted to the line for calls after hours?  If there was a message bank, was it checked and were calls returned? If no, why not?	Written	Andrews
602	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	Did a Departmental representative call any organisations to inform them their funding needed to be spent by 10 December 2013?  If yes, how many organisations were instructed?  Why was a deadline given for spending and why was their funding later withdrawn?  What are the names of these organisations?  Who instructed these organisations to spend their funding?  Were these instructions given via a phone call or in a letter? If via a phone call, why not in writing?	Written	Andrews
503	10	Moore	Building Multicultural Communities Program (BCMP)	What is the future of the BMCP? Does the Government have any plans to return the program in the next financial year?	Written	Andrews
504	0	Moore	Grants	How are grants processed?	CA117	Andrews
605	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	What is the current caseload for Disability Employment Services, including a breakdown of the number of caseloads for Employment Support Services and Disability Management Services?	Written	Fifield
606	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	Please provide the latest data on the number of Disability Employment Services caseloads by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability; g. duration customers have been using DES; h. duration customers have been unemployed; i. other payments received, including Disability Support Pension, Newstart and Youth Allowance.	Written	Fifield
607	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	What has been the total percentage of Disability Employment Services participants who have been placed in employment since 2010, including a yearly breakdown (including current YTD)?	Written	Fifield
608	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	What proportion of each Disability Employment Services caseload is on a Supported Wage Subsidy?	Written	Fifield
509	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	What proportion of employers use Disability Employment Services when they are recruiting? What is the Government doing to increase the number of employers that utilise Disability Employment Services when they are looking to recruit?	Written	Fifield

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610	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	How does the rate of unemployment for people with disability compare to the general unemployment rate?	Written	Fifield
611	11	Moore	Disability Employment Services	What is the Government doing to remove the many barriers that people with disability face when looking for appropriate and secure employment?	Written	Fifield
612	11	Moore	Sickness Allowance	Can you provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Sickness Allowance?  a. age; b. state/territory; c. sex; d. Indigenous status; e. condition/illness; f. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); g. number and percentage reporting employment; h. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; i. reported hours of work undertaken; j. reported income from employment; k. reported income from other assets; and l. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
513	11	Moore	Sickness Allowance	Can you provide the latest data on administered outlays associated with the Sickness Allowance for 2013/2014?	Written	Andrews
514	11	Moore	Sickness Allowance	Can you please provide the projected costs, over the forward estimates of the Sickness Allowance?	Written	Andrews
615	11	Moore	Sickness Allowance	Can you indicate the number and percentage of people in receipt of the sickness allowance and in receipt of other payments?	Written	Andrews
616	11	Moore	Mobility Allowance	Can you provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Mobility Allowance?  a. age; b. state/territory; c. sex; d. Indigenous status; e. condition/disability; f. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); g. number and percentage reporting employment; h. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; i. reported hours of work undertaken; j. reported income from employment; k. reported income from other assets; and l. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
617	11	Moore	Mobility Allowance	Can you provide the latest data on overall costs associated with the Mobility Allowance?	Written	Andrews
518	11	Siewert	Youth Allowance (other)	Are you able to tell me the number of people on Youth Allowance (other) who received a payment for more than six months?	CA87	Andrews
519	11	Boyce	Working Age Payments	Please provide the number of Australians by payment type, currently receiving working age payments.  Please provide expenditure estimates, outlays for last year, estimates for 2013-14 and the outyears.	CA92	Andrews
520	11	Boyce	Working Age Payments	How many women transferred onto DSP as a result of the increase in the Age Pension age?	CA92	Andrews

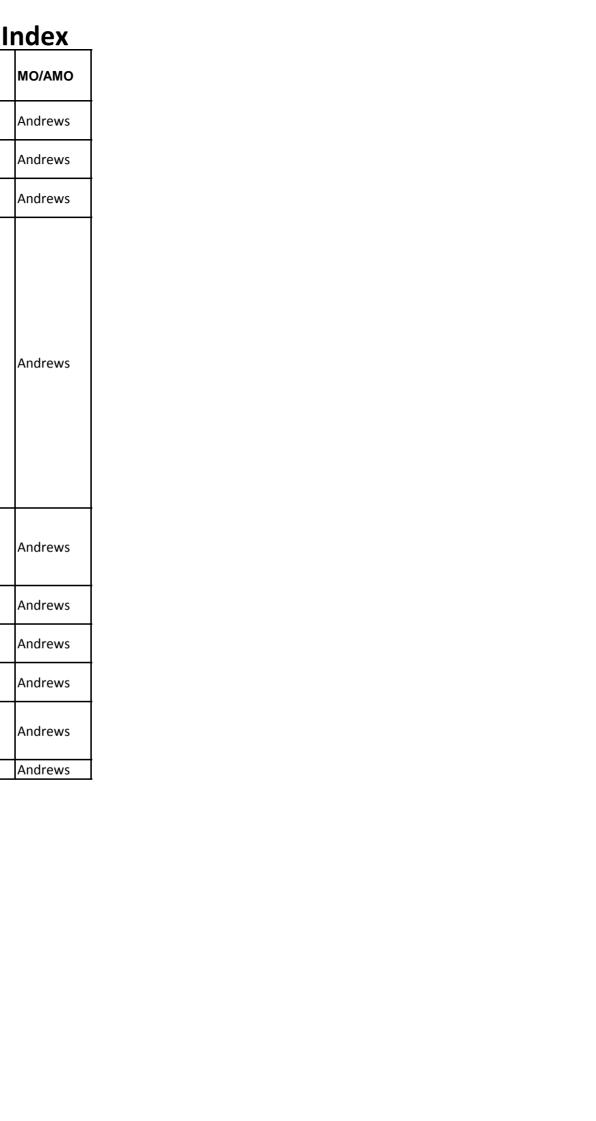
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621	11	Siewert	Working Age Payments	How many people who were studying while on Parenting Payment single dropped out of education due to being transferred onto Newstart Allowance?	CA93	Andrews
522	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the average duration of people on Newstart.	Written	Andrews
623	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the current number of people in receipt of Newstart Allowance by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; m. other payments received; and n. vulnerability indicators.	Written	Andrews
624	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Newstart Allowance. Please provide the current outlays for 2013/2014 for Newstart Allowance.	Written	Andrews
625	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the number of single parents on the Newstart Allowance by: a. gender; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. reported income and hours of work undertaken; e. type of employment; f. other payments received; and g. vulnerability indicators.	Written	Andrews
626	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	For those people who transferred onto Newstart from Parenting Payment Single, please indicate:  a. number of people now reporting employment; and  b. number of people who have now transferred onto other payments, and which payments.	Written	Andrews
627	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the projected costs of Newstart Allowance over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
528	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the average duration on Newstart by weeks.	Written	Andrews
629	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the number and percentage of people on Newstart who exited the payment within three months.	Written	Andrews
530	11	Moore	Newstart Allowance	Please provide the number and percentage of people on Newstart who exited income support within 12 months of the Grant.	Written	Andrews
531	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the average duration of people on Parenting Payment Single	Written	Andrews

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632	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the current number of people in receipt of Parenting Payment Single by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
633	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Parenting Payment Single.  Please provide the current outlays for 2013/2014 for Parenting Payment Single.	Written	Andrews
634	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the projected costs of Parenting Payment Single over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
635	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the average duration on Parenting Payment Single by weeks.	Written	Andrews
636	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	For those people who have transferred off the payment in the last 12 months, please indicate whether they transferred to another payment and if so which payment.	Written	Andrews
637	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	For those people made ineligible for this payment by changes which took effect on 1 January 2013, how many were not eligible for Newstart because of the income test?	Written	Andrews
638	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the number and percentage of people on Parenting Payment Single who exited the payment within three months.	Written	Andrews
639	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Single	Please provide the number and percentage of people on Parenting Payment Single who exited income support within 12 months of the Grant.	Written	Andrews
640	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Partnered	Please provide the average duration of people on Parenting Payment Partnered	Written	Andrews



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641	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Partnered	Please provide the current number of people in receipt of Parenting Payment Partnered by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken;	Written	Andrews
				k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.		
642	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Partnered	Please provide the outlays for 2012/2013 for Parenting Payment Partnered. Please provide the current outlays for 2013/2014 for Parenting Payment Partnered.	Written	Andrews
643	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Partnered	Please provide the projected costs of Parenting Payment Partnered over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
644	11	Moore	Parenting Payment Partnered	Please provide the average duration on Parenting Payment Partnered by weeks.	Written	Andrews
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647	11	Moore	Partner Allowance	Please provide the average duration of people on Partner Allowance.	Written	Andrews
648	11	Moore	Partner Allowance	Please provide the current number of people in receipt of Partner Allowance by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. electorate; d. sex; e. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; f. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available); g. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); h. number and percentage reporting other employment; i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; j. reported hours of work undertaken; k. reported income from employment; l. reported income from other assets; and m. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
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668	11	Moore	Youth Allowance	Please provide the average duration of people on Youth Allowance.	Written	Andrews
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675	11	Moore	Austudy	Please provide the current number of people receiving Austudy by: a. age; b. state/territory; c. sex; d. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status; e. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+); f. number and percentage reporting other employment; g. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test; h. reported hours of work undertaken; i. reported income from employment; j. reported income from other assets; and k. other payments received.	Written	Andrews
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677	11	Moore	Austudy	Please provide the projected costs of Austudy over the forward estimates.	Written	Andrews
678	11	Moore	Austudy	Please provide the average duration on Austudy by weeks.	Written	Andrews
679	4	Moore	Pension Work Bonus	Please provide current administered outlays for the Pension Work Bonus for 2013-2014.	Written	Andrews
680	5	Siewert	Business Services Wage Assessment Tool (BSWAT)	a) What has the Department done in the fourteen months since the High Court handed down its decision regarding the discriminatory nature of the BSWAT? b) Who have the department been consulting with or involving in their discussions regarding this issue? c) What outcomes have been achieved from this process? d) What are the costs for the consultations so far? e) Has there been a tender process for conducting these consultations? f) Has the Department consulted with the disability representative and advocacy sector? g) Has the Department consulted with employees with disability in ADEs? h) Has the Department done any work on identifying a new wage assessment tool? i) Please provide information or reports on the work that has been done to date?	Written	Fifield
681	5	Siewert	Business Services Wage Assessment Tool (BSWAT)	<ul><li>a) The application to the Australian Human Rights Commission (AHRC) for an exemption under the Disability Discrimination Act was made while the government was in the caretaker mode prior to the 2013 federal election. Did the Minister at the time approve this action?</li><li>b) On what basis was the action taken and why was it taken during caretaker period?</li></ul>	Written	Fifield

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682	5	Siewert	Business Services Wage Assessment Tool (BSWAT)	a) What research has the Department undertaken to move to the supported wage system? b) What studies has the Department undertaken to provide evidence to support the claim that the move from BSWAT to the SWS would negatively impact the business viability of ADEs, including loss of jobs? c) What studies has the Department undertaken on the use of SWS in ADEs and the impact on the viability of the business? d) Have these studies been publically released? If not, when will they be released? e) Has there been a tender process for undertaking these studies? f) What has the cost been for consultants to undertake these studies?	Written	Fifield
683	5	Siewert	Business Services Wage Assessment Tool (BSWAT)	a) In terms of the legal actions that have and are taking place on this issue – the High Court case, the exemption application to AHRC, the Maurice Blackburn representative case against the Commonwealth for compensation: What costs has the Commonwealth incurred through each of these legal actions? b) How much does the Department expect to expend in the actions currently underway (the exemption application and the representative action)? c) How much financial support in legal costs has been provided to National Disability Services (NDS) or individual ADEs in these legal actions? d) How much financial support has been given to supported employees in ADEs?	Written	Fifield
684	5	Siewert	Disability Support Pension – recipients over Age Pension age	<ul> <li>a) For each year since 1994, list the number of DSP recipients over Age Pension Age.</li> <li>b) For the periods 2012-13, 2013-14 and the forward estimates what is the cost of the DSP for those over age pension age?</li> </ul>	Written	Andrews
685	1	Siewert	Income Management - Evaluation in the NT	Will the effectiveness of income management be assessed with referent to its cost in future evaluations?	Written	Andrews
686	1	Siewert	Income Management - young people in remote communities	<ul><li>a) What support services are available to young people in remote communities income managed under the changes to the Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient Measure, by community?</li><li>b) Will these services be increased once the changes begin?</li></ul>	Written	Andrews
687	1	Siewert	Income Management - exemptions for people with children	The service offer surrounding exemptions for people with children has improved. Why has this not been extended to people who may be eligible for an exemption by another means eg work or study?	Written	Andrews
688	8	Smith	Aged Care Home emergencies	How many emergency situations have aged care homes found themselves in? I am interested that the department has responded and what the department's response has been.	CA59	Fifield
689	0	Moore	National compact agreements & codes	With the abolition of the Not-for-profit Sector Reform Group in PM&C, what is the future of the National Compact agreements and codes?	Written	Andrews