

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Topic: Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory

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Senator Siewert asked:

What is the total 'Closing the Gap in the NT' expenditure to date? What does this equal per person?

Answer:

Since the implementation of the Northern Territory Emergency Response on 17 August 2007, the Closing the Gap in the Northern Territory expenditure is estimated at 30 June 2011 to be \$1.66 billion. Based on the ABS 2006 census, the Indigenous population in the Northern Territory was 64,005¹, which represents an estimated \$25,985 per person over this period.

¹ Source: Experimental Estimates of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, Jun 2006 (cat. no. 3238.0.55.001)
Source: Population Projections, Australia 2006 to 2101 (cat. no. 3222.0)