

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2012-13 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 2**

**Question No: 61**

**Topic:** Homelessness

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**Senator Payne** asked:

Please provide information on improved annual reporting arrangements and what work might be done in that regard, to have progress updates in 2012 and 2013 which would be based on data that was not available to the review at the time (Census data and the specialist homelessness services data collection framework). Also, provide information to indicate whether there was any other recommendations that were not implemented and the reasons for not pursuing those?

**Answer:**

The Council of Australian Government (COAG) agreed to implement the recommendations from the Mid Term Review of the National Partnership Agreement on Homelessness (NPAH). The Review report has been published on the COAG website. All recommendations from the Mid-Term Review Report have been implemented. The first report incorporating the changes is due to be provided to Select Council on Housing and Homelessness by December 2012.

The Homelessness Advisory Committee is developing a separate report for COAG against the revised Performance Indicators drawing on Census data, NPAH Annual Reports and evaluations, and the new Specialist Homelessness Services (SHS) data collection which will be available in late 2012.