

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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Question: E13-171

OUTCOME: 9 - Private Health

Topic: Private Health Insurance

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Senator: Di Natale

Question:

Can you tell me about the cost of the rebate to general or ancillary insurance but not including hospital insurance. Is that information you can provide me?

Answer:

In 2011-12 the Government paid approximately \$5.7 billion under the Australian Government Rebate for private health insurance.

For the period 2008-09 to 2011-12, approximately 21 per cent of the rebate expenditure went towards general treatment (ancillary) cover.