Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Stock Transfer **Hansard Page:** Written

Senator Payne asked:

In May 2009, states and territories agreed to transfer up to 35 per cent of public housing stock to the community housing sector by 2014. Can the department provide an update on progress towards that goal? Of public housing stock that has been transferred, how much has been transferred with title, and how much has been transferred for the purposes of tenancy management alone?

Answer:

In May 2009 Housing Ministers agreed to develop, over time, a large scale community housing sector in Australia comprising up to 35 per cent of social housing by 2014.

The community housing sector has grown from 11.2 per cent in 2009 to 15.7 per cent in 2012 (not including State Owned and Managed Indigenous Housing, and Indigenous Community housing). These figures are from the Report of Government Services (ROGS) 2013.

A breakdown of the total number of public housing dwellings that have been transferred by State and Territory governments with title and property and tenancy management, compared to the total number of dwellings that have been transferred with property and tenancy management alone, would only be possible with data currently held by State and Territory governments.