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Senator: McLucas, Jan

Question:

Senator McLucas: I want to follow up those questions about women in leadership roles in sport. I think, Mr Hollingsworth that Senator Peris asked a general question about the progress that had been made with respect to women on boards in our sporting organisations. Over the period since the last estimates, are there any sports that have improved their gender representation?

Mr Hollingsworth: I believe rowing and sailing have both improved. Certainly, sailing has; but I would like to take on notice the difference between what they had previously.

Senator McLucas: I am referencing question 119, if you could have a look at that. Do you have that answer with you?

Mr Hollingsworth: I do not think I do, sorry.

Senator McLucas: Could you have a look at that and tell me the answer to two questions, please. What sports have improved their gender representation and—I hope the answer is none—what sports have gone backwards?

Answer:

Of the seven sports that are subject to the Australian Sports Commission's Mandatory Governance Principles, Hockey, Sailing and Swimming improved their gender representation, Basketball remained the same, while Cycling, Athletics and Rowing decreased their percentage of female board members.