

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.10 Working Age Payments

Question No: SQ15-000617

Topic: 4 week waiting period

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Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:

Provide details of the savings expected from the imposition of the 4 week waiting period for each year of the forward estimates?

Answer:

The table below shows the estimated whole of government savings over the forward estimates for the four week waiting period.

2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	Total
-\$6.8m	\$56.2m	\$60.4m	\$63.5m	\$173.3

Note: Figures are in fiscal balance terms. Positive figures indicate a gain to the Budget; negative figures indicate a cost to the Budget.