

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018, 29 May 2017

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Topic: National Health Reform Working Group

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Senator: Di Natale, Richard

Question:

Senator DI NATALE: How much have private health insurance premiums risen over the last five years?

Answer:

Weighted average premium increases over the last five years:

| 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 5.60% | 6.20% | 6.18% | 5.59% | 4.84% |

*source – Department of Health Website:- <http://health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/privatehealth-average-premium-round>