

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

**Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018, 29 May 2017**

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**OUTCOME:** 4 - Individual Health Benefits

**Topic:** The Australian Prudential Regulation Authority

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**Question:**

1. Does the Department have access to lower level information from insurers such as advertising and executive salary expenditure?
2. If yes, can the Department or the Minister share this information publicly? If no, what are the barriers from getting and publishing this information?
3. What has been the premium revenue received and premium benefits paid by insurers over the past few years.

**Answers**

1. The Department does not have access to information beyond what is publicly available.
2. N/A
3. See table below that sets out private health insurers - revenue vs benefits paid

Year	Revenue	Benefits Paid
2007-08	\$12,237,768,740	\$10,385,181,410
2008-09	\$13,069,373,839	\$11,349,112,720
2009-10	\$14,729,976,020	\$12,226,720,850
2010-11	\$16,026,448,190	\$13,160,591,910
2011-12	\$17,177,725,000	\$14,336,643,880
2012-13	\$18,610,978,730	\$15,624,820,180
2013-14	\$19,902,696,285	\$16,882,728,887
2014-15	\$21,280,103,770	\$18,055,354,060
2015-16	\$22,493,280,920	\$18,984,755,529

Source: APRA Private Health Insurance Operations Reports – 2008 to 2016