

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**HEALTH PORTFOLIO**

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

**Ref No:** SQ17-000782

**OUTCOME:** 4 - Individual Health Benefits

**Topic:** Bulk billing

**Type of Question:** Written Question on Notice

**Senator:** Watt, Murray

**Question:**

What is the percentage of item 23 GP services that are bulk billed - broken down into each state and territory? Please provide the most current data.

**Answer:**

The July to March 2016-17 year-to-date bulk billing rate for MBS Item 23 by state and territory is presented below.

<b>Financial YTD</b>	<b>YTD Jul-Mar 2016-17</b>
<b>NSW</b>	86.1
<b>VIC</b>	80.7
<b>QLD</b>	81.4
<b>SA</b>	81.2
<b>WA</b>	77.1
<b>TAS</b>	71.6
<b>NT</b>	84.8
<b>ACT</b>	51.0
<b>Australia</b>	81.8