Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018, 29 & 30 May 2017

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OUTCOME: 2 - Health Access and Support Services

Topic: Dental

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Question:

Please breakdown last three years waiting lists.

Answer:

Waiting Times for General Treatment (months)*			
State/Territory	As at 31 Dec 2014	As at 31 Dec 2015	As at 31 Dec 2016
NSW	9.73	13.60	14.24
VIC	10.46	12.80	16.01
QLD	6.36	7.32	9.36
WA	7.00	4.30	2.50
SA	10.99	12.45	14.71
TAS	25.40	12.20	9.40
ACT	3.68	5.56	5.95
NT	21.60	30.80	45.69
TOTAL (average)	11.90	12.39	14.73
Weighted average	9.62	11.32	12.81

* Note: states report on waiting times differently, which may create slight inconsistencies when comparing the jurisdictions.