Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH PORTFOLIO

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Question:

If there has been any impact of the freeze on the MBS on people actually attending the doctor.

Answer:

Service volume for GP and specialist services have continued to increase.

	Specialist Attendances	GP Non-Referred Attendances
July 2013 - September		
2013	7,094,544	34,841,185
July 2014 - September		
2014	7,375,512	36,161,141
July 2015 - September 2015	7,664,326	37,628,786