

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

**Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education Question No.ED0216\_15**

**Senator O'Neill provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Students First program and CPI**

Page 91 of BP2, for the Students First program, says: "From the 2018 school year onwards, total school funding will be indexed by the Consumer Price Index, with an allowance for changes in enrolments." a. What is the allowance that has been applied in 2017-18 for the projected change in enrolments? b. Is it the same for government schools and private schools?

**Answer**

In costing this measure the department has assumed enrolment growth of 1.9% at the national level from 2017 to 2018. This projection reflects modelling by the department as well as consultation with state and territory education authorities. Actual enrolment growth will vary state to state and sector to sector.