

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018**

**Outcome: Schools and Youth**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000774**

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

***Schools funding – growth rates***

**Question**

How many different growth rates will your school funding model have over the ten year transition period? Please provide a list of each of these growth rates.

**Answer**

Under the new arrangements, growth rates over the ten year transition from 2018 to 2027 will depend on current levels of Commonwealth funding for individual approved authorities compared to their new entitlements under the *Australian Education Act 2013*. During this period, growth rates will necessarily differ by individual approved authority as all authorities converge on consistent treatment under the Act.

Estimated average annual growth rates for each approved authority (excluding enrolment growth) have been provided in response to SQ17-000635. The estimated average annual growth rates over 10 years by state/territory and sector (including enrolment projections) have been provided for SQ17-000767.

Beyond 2027, once transition is complete and all approved authorities receive consistent Commonwealth shares of the Schooling Resource Standard (SRS), funding for all schools will grow at the same rate reflecting the indexation of the SRS.