

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16**

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**Senator:** Wong

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**Question:**

1. Is funding for the Australian Political Exchange Program indexed? If so, what rate is it indexed at?
2. Can the Department provide a profile of the historical actuals for expenses under the Australian Political Exchange Program going back the last five financial years (ending 2013-14)?

**Answer:**

1. a) Yes b) the Australian Political Exchange Program budget is subject to the applicable Wage Cost index for this program – WCI-1, and the rate is published in the 2015-16 Budget Paper No.3 at Appendix A.
2. Historical actuals for expenses under the Australian Political Exchange Program.

2009-10 (\$'000)	2010-11 (\$'000)	2011-12 (\$'000)	2012-13 (\$'000)	2013-14 (\$'000)
543	391	556	658	358