

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Outcome/Program:

Topic: Efficiency Dividend impact

Senator: Wong

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Question:

Senator WONG: On the efficiency dividend from which you are not exempted, there is the additional 0.25 per cent imposed in this budget. What is the impact of that going to be in terms of dollars, staff and services?

Mr McPhee: In terms of the additional cost of the 0.25 per cent, it is over four years: \$1.668 million.

Senator WONG: Presumably you have taken savings to date already.

Mr McPhee: Yes. Correct.

Senator WONG: You can clarify on notice.

Answer:

The impact of the additional 0.25% efficiency dividend is \$1.668 million over the budget and forward estimates.

The impact each year is included in section 1.3 of ANAO's 2014-15 Portfolio Budget Statements. This table has been included below:

	Programme	2013-14 \$'000	2014-15 \$'000	2015-16 \$'000	2016-17 \$'000	2017-18 \$'000
Expense measures						
Decrease in estimates (departmental)						
Efficiency Dividend – a further temporary increase of 0.25 per cent						
	All					
	Departmental expenses	-	(187)	(372)	(553)	(556)
	Total	-	(187)	(372)	(553)	(556)
Total expense measures						
	Departmental	-	(187)	(372)	(553)	(556)
	Total	-	(187)	(372)	(553)	(556)

The increased efficiency dividend in combination with other savings measures and pressures is expected to result in a slight reduction in performance audit reports in the forward years (from 49 to 48 in 2015-16 and from 49 to 47 in 2016-17 and subsequent years).