

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Research & International

Department of Education Question No. ED0296_14

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

Government's efficiency dividend as encompassed in the Higher Education Support Amendment Bill cuts on research intensive institutions

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2. Have you provided any advice to the Government on assessing the impact of research? When was this advice presented to the Minister?
3. Regarding the efficiency dividend, am I right in assuming that the government's proposed cuts to universities, impacts on the: - Joint Research Engagement program? - Research Infrastructure Block Grants? - Research Training? - Sustainable Research Excellence?

Answer

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As part of the 2013-14 Budget, an efficiency dividend of 2 per cent in 2014 and 1.25 per cent in 2015 was applied to the following research block grant programmes: Joint Research Engagement (JRE), Research Infrastructure Block Grants (RIBG), Research Training Scheme (RTS), Sustainable Research Excellence (SRE) and International Postgraduate Research Scholarships (IPRS). The Australian Postgraduate Awards programme was excluded from the measure.

The non-passage of the Higher Education Support (Savings and Other Measures) Bill 2013 did not impact on the application of the efficiency dividend to the research block grants as the *Higher Education Support Act 2003* allows the Minister (or his delegate) to determine research block grants amounts.

The estimated impact on the research block grant programmes per institution for 2013-14 and 2014-15 and 2015-16 at the time of the 2013-14 Budget is shown at

Attachment A. The impact is proportional to the funding base received by the institution.

2. Have you provided any advice to the Government on assessing the impact of research? When was this advice presented to the Minister?

The Department has provided initial advice on the issue of impact and further work on this area is underway.

3. Regarding the efficiency dividend, am I right in assuming that the government's proposed cuts to universities, impacts on the: - Joint Research Engagement program? - Research Infrastructure Block Grants? - Research Training? - Sustainable Research Excellence?

Refer to 1.

Attachment A

2013-14 ED Impact	IPRS	RTS	JRE	RIBG	SRE
NSW					
Charles Sturt University	-1,369	-39,559	-17,407	-11,336	-9,942
Macquarie University	-4,793	-141,853	-61,508	-32,998	-22,911
Southern Cross University	-1,369	-36,919	-16,294	-4,883	-7,412
The University of Sydney	-22,537	-700,879	-338,051	-288,185	-218,832
University of New England	-2,190	-70,939	-30,289	-8,482	-8,926
University of New South Wales	-19,913	-640,634	-316,900	-208,763	-154,120
University of Newcastle	-5,284	-157,487	-88,095	-57,906	-41,390
University of Technology, Sydney	-4,108	-110,375	-51,001	-22,661	-17,383
University of Western Sydney	-2,739	-73,586	-34,729	-16,900	-13,254
University of Wollongong	-4,657	-134,801	-62,436	-39,669	-28,359
VIC					
Deakin University	-3,779	-114,051	-47,582	-24,792	-17,493
La Trobe University	-3,946	-114,886	-63,795	-22,175	-17,147
MCD University	-685	-7,749	-3,433	0	0
Monash University	-17,310	-530,071	-267,835	-216,050	-152,326
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology	-4,218	-139,568	-66,467	-19,790	-16,294
Swinburne University of Technology	-2,054	-75,218	-30,380	-15,540	-13,167
The University of Melbourne	-24,230	-750,023	-357,666	-309,694	-231,781
University of Ballarat	-685	-19,086	-8,741	-1,334	-2,247
Victoria University	-2,054	-51,714	-25,298	-4,211	-7,037
QLD					
Bond University	-685	-9,260	-6,212	-2,586	-4,355
Central Queensland University	-685	-22,857	-13,819	-2,212	-3,726
Griffith University	-5,179	-149,079	-85,689	-41,986	-25,572
James Cook University	-2,441	-85,054	-35,097	-32,976	-21,826
Queensland University of Technology	-6,711	-192,967	-93,520	-35,344	-24,039
The University of Queensland	-19,824	-618,621	-295,779	-261,666	-201,295
University of Southern Queensland	-1,233	-29,998	-13,436	-3,494	-5,885
University of the Sunshine Coast	-685	-10,760	-6,672	-1,255	-2,114
WA					
Curtin University of Technology	-5,613	-167,829	-93,342	-30,041	-20,081
Edith Cowan University	-1,667	-47,204	-27,082	-4,622	-7,213
Murdoch University	-2,739	-87,351	-54,623	-13,934	-12,673
The University of Notre Dame Australia	-685	-4,193	-2,520	-525	-885
The University of Western Australia	-10,568	-344,339	-169,313	-146,742	-105,643
SA					
The Flinders University of South Australia	-3,423	-112,236	-64,592	-33,267	-20,933
The University of Adelaide	-10,270	-324,477	-156,074	-142,105	-93,547
University of South Australia	-4,793	-136,858	-77,037	-29,274	-20,525
TAS					
University of Tasmania	-5,341	-166,729	-82,844	-51,886	-33,906
NT					
Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education	0	-1,572	-1,058	-152	-255
Charles Darwin University	-1,369	-44,031	-31,142	-25,873	-17,908
ACT					
The Australian National University	-12,220	-368,693	-208,476	-142,109	-115,954
University of Canberra	-1,207	-31,670	-23,488	-3,995	-6,729
OTHER					
Australian Catholic University	-685	-21,818	-11,531	-1,730	-2,913
Total	-225,942	-6,886,993	-3,441,250	-2,313,139	-1,728,000

2014-15 ED Impact	IPRS	RTS	JRE	RIBG	SRE
NSW					
Charles Sturt University	-3,650	-105,453	-48,401	-31,522	-28,132
Macquarie University	-12,776	-378,138	-171,025	-91,761	-64,831
Southern Cross University	-3,650	-98,415	-45,305	-13,579	-20,974
The University of Sydney	-60,076	-1,868,341	-939,960	-801,391	-619,217
University of New England	-5,838	-189,103	-84,220	-23,587	-25,257
University of New South Wales	-53,082	-1,707,747	-881,149	-580,532	-436,106
University of Newcastle	-14,086	-419,815	-244,951	-161,027	-117,120
University of Technology, Sydney	-10,951	-294,228	-141,809	-63,015	-49,187
University of Western Sydney	-7,301	-196,160	-96,565	-46,996	-37,505
University of Wollongong	-12,414	-359,342	-173,604	-110,311	-80,247
VIC					
Deakin University	-10,073	-304,026	-132,302	-68,941	-49,500
La Trobe University	-10,519	-306,252	-177,383	-61,665	-48,520
MCD University	-1,825	-20,658	-9,546	0	0
Monash University	-46,144	-1,413,016	-744,723	-600,797	-431,030
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology	-11,243	-372,047	-184,813	-55,032	-46,108
Swinburne University of Technology	-5,475	-200,510	-84,473	-43,213	-37,257
The University of Melbourne	-64,590	-1,999,346	-994,499	-861,205	-655,859
University of Ballarat	-1,825	-50,879	-24,306	-3,710	-6,359
Victoria University	-5,475	-137,855	-70,343	-11,710	-19,913
QLD					
Bond University	-1,825	-24,686	-17,272	-7,191	-12,324
Central Queensland University	-1,825	-60,930	-38,424	-6,151	-10,543
Griffith University	-13,807	-397,402	-238,261	-116,756	-72,360
James Cook University	-6,506	-226,729	-97,587	-91,700	-61,759
Queensland University of Technology	-17,889	-514,395	-260,035	-98,285	-68,021
The University of Queensland	-52,845	-1,649,064	-822,422	-727,646	-569,595
University of Southern Queensland	-3,288	-79,965	-37,359	-9,716	-16,652
University of the Sunshine Coast	-1,825	-28,683	-18,551	-3,491	-5,983
WA					
Curtin University of Technology	-14,963	-447,383	-259,541	-83,538	-56,822
Edith Cowan University	-4,444	-125,832	-75,303	-12,854	-20,410
Murdoch University	-7,301	-232,853	-151,880	-38,747	-35,861
The University of Notre Dame Australia	-1,825	-11,178	-7,006	-1,461	-2,504
The University of Western Australia	-28,171	-917,908	-470,778	-408,063	-298,933
SA					
The Flinders University of South Australia	-9,126	-299,188	-179,599	-92,509	-59,232
The University of Adelaide	-27,377	-864,962	-433,968	-395,170	-264,705
University of South Australia	-12,776	-364,824	-214,203	-81,407	-58,078
TAS					
University of Tasmania	-14,239	-444,452	-230,351	-144,285	-95,942
NT					
Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education	0	-4,191	-2,941	-421	-722
Charles Darwin University	-3,650	-117,373	-86,591	-71,948	-50,672
ACT					
The Australian National University	-32,574	-982,830	-579,673	-395,179	-328,109
University of Canberra	-3,218	-84,422	-65,308	-11,110	-19,041
OTHER					
Australian Catholic University	-1,825	-58,162	-32,061	-4,810	-8,244
Total	-602,296	-18,358,744	-9,568,491	-6,432,433	-4,889,635

2015-16 ED Impact	IPRS	RTS	JRE	RIBG	SRE
NSW					
Charles Sturt University	-4,637	-133,962	-61,125	-39,809	-35,904
Macquarie University	-16,230	-480,369	-215,987	-115,883	-82,743
Southern Cross University	-4,637	-125,022	-57,216	-17,148	-26,768
The University of Sydney	-76,318	-2,373,451	-1,187,076	-1,012,063	-790,297
University of New England	-7,416	-240,228	-106,361	-29,788	-32,235
University of New South Wales	-67,433	-2,169,440	-1,112,804	-733,144	-556,596
University of Newcastle	-17,894	-533,313	-309,349	-203,358	-149,478
University of Technology, Sydney	-13,911	-373,773	-179,091	-79,581	-62,777
University of Western Sydney	-9,274	-249,193	-121,951	-59,351	-47,867
University of Wollongong	-15,770	-456,491	-219,245	-139,310	-102,419
VIC					
Deakin University	-12,796	-386,221	-167,085	-87,064	-63,176
La Trobe University	-13,363	-389,048	-224,018	-77,875	-61,925
MCD University	-2,319	-26,242	-12,056	0	0
Monash University	-58,619	-1,795,028	-940,511	-758,735	-550,118
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology	-14,283	-472,631	-233,400	-69,499	-58,846
Swinburne University of Technology	-6,956	-254,719	-106,681	-54,573	-47,551
The University of Melbourne	-82,053	-2,539,873	-1,255,954	-1,087,601	-837,063
University of Ballarat	-2,319	-64,634	-30,696	-4,685	-8,115
Victoria University	-6,956	-175,125	-88,836	-14,788	-25,415
QLD					
Bond University	-2,319	-31,359	-21,813	-9,081	-15,729
Central Queensland University	-2,319	-77,403	-48,526	-7,769	-13,456
Griffith University	-17,540	-504,841	-300,899	-147,449	-92,352
James Cook University	-8,265	-288,026	-123,243	-115,806	-78,823
Queensland University of Technology	-22,726	-653,463	-328,398	-124,122	-86,815
The University of Queensland	-67,132	-2,094,892	-1,038,638	-918,931	-726,965
University of Southern Queensland	-4,177	-101,584	-47,180	-12,270	-21,253
University of the Sunshine Coast	-2,319	-36,437	-23,428	-4,408	-7,635
WA					
Curtin University of Technology	-19,009	-568,334	-327,775	-105,499	-72,521
Edith Cowan University	-5,646	-159,851	-95,100	-16,233	-26,049
Murdoch University	-9,274	-295,805	-191,809	-48,933	-45,769
The University of Notre Dame Australia	-2,319	-14,201	-8,848	-1,845	-3,196
The University of Western Australia	-35,787	-1,166,067	-594,546	-515,335	-381,524
SA					
The Flinders University of South Australia	-11,593	-380,074	-226,816	-116,828	-75,598
The University of Adelaide	-34,779	-1,098,807	-548,059	-499,054	-337,839
University of South Australia	-16,230	-463,455	-270,517	-102,808	-74,124
TAS					
University of Tasmania	-18,088	-564,611	-290,910	-182,214	-122,449
NT					
Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education	0	-5,324	-3,715	-532	-922
Charles Darwin University	-4,637	-149,105	-109,356	-90,862	-64,672
ACT					
The Australian National University	-41,380	-1,248,540	-732,070	-499,065	-418,761
University of Canberra	-4,088	-107,246	-82,478	-14,030	-24,302
OTHER					
Australian Catholic University	-2,319	-73,886	-40,490	-6,075	-10,522
Total	-765,129	-23,322,069	-12,084,056	-8,123,407	-6,240,568