



STANDING COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS
ALISTAIR COE MLA (CHAIR), MICHAEL PETERSSON MLA (DEPUTY CHAIR), ANDREW BRADDOCK MLA

Estimates 2020-2021
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
24 February 2021

Asked by ELIZABETH LEE MLA:

In relation to:

Table 3.1.1 on page 46 - When was the last time over the last decade that we have had expenditure growth at its lowest (when was expenditure lowest over a 4-year period)? (the percentage)

Ms LEE: I know that you have taken on notice, Treasurer, about the question I asked about the lowest growth and expenditure, but are we able to have on notice for the last decade, each growth in that regard?

Mr Barr: Yes. The revenue and expenditure total territory amounts will be available. That is relatively straightforward.

Mr Miners: Yes, calculated from public information.

(Later, clarifying exchange)

Ms LEE: You will be glad to know there is a combination of emails and stuff that I thought about. First, I want to clarify this. You took on notice a question about the growth percentage terms in terms of expenditure. That was over four-year periods in the last decade. I thought I had made that clear, but perhaps I did not.

Mr Barr: So not year by year, but over the forward estimates?

MS LEE: Yes, and when were the lowest in a four-year period. I just wanted to make sure that was clarified. That was not picked up, obviously.

ANDREW BARR MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:—

The lowest average annual increase over a four-year period was 1.61 per cent between 2014-15 and 2017-18. The year on year increases and average annual increases over a four-year period over the past 10 years are outlined below:



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	Actual GGS expenses \$ billions	Year on year increase	Average annual increase over four-year period
2010-11	3.848		
2011-12	4.076	5.93%	
2012-13	4.464	9.52%	
2013-14	4.575	2.49%	4.42%
2014-15	5.143	12.42%	5.99%
2015-16	5.107	-0.70%	3.42%
2016-17	5.395	5.64%	4.21%
2017-18	5.482	1.61%	1.61%
2018-19	5.919	7.98%	3.76%
2019-20	6.518	10.11%	4.84%

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By the Treasurer, Andrew Barr MLA