

SENATE QUESTION

(Question No. 4121)

Senator Kristina Keneally asked the Minister representing the Minister for Home Affairs, upon notice, on 10 September 2021:

With respect to the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru and noting that I am asking for a breakdown of the amount paid for each of the months referred to below – I am not asking how much has been paid across the entire period or across a different period and my questions are very clear and very direct and so should be answered clearly and directly e.g. the Department would not be answering my question if, instead of providing a monthly breakdown, it provides me with information about the amounts paid from [x] to [y]:

1. How much money did the Department spend – in total – on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru for the month of May 2016.
2. How much money did the Department spend – in total – on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru for the month of June 2016.
3. How much money did the Department spend – in total – on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru for the month of July 2016.
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Senator Cash – The Minister for Home Affairs has provided the following answer to the honourable senator's question:

For questions 1 to 46, total expenditure on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru is identified below. Figures for expenditure on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru for the month of September 2021 are still in the process of being collected.

Table 1: Amount spent on the provision of welfare and garrison services on Nauru.

	2015-16 \$m (GST excl)	2016-17 \$m (GST excl)	2017-18 \$m (GST excl)	2018-19 \$m (GST excl)	2019-20 \$m (GST excl)	2020-21 \$m (GST excl)	2021-22 \$m (GST excl)
July		33.4	35.2	43.3	26.7	48.9	32.6
August		41.0	40.4	35.8	50.3	42.6	49.7
September		42.0	41.4	34.3	38.7	50.3	
October		37.5	49.5	40.5	58.8	41.6	
November		34.3	50.9	41.6	42.8	38.8	
December		41.5	38.6	40.1	40.8	41.8	
January		22.1	37.8	34.0	40.2	42.7	
February		51.6	44.0	43.2	35.2	39.5	
March		35.7	34.4	40.6	36.5	42.3	
April		38.4	37.6	47.7	67.5	42.3	
May	54.1	53.5	37.9	44.8	38.8	39.5	
June	31.2	42.2	58.3	48.5	54.6	43.3	