

2017-18 Australian Government Expenditure on Older People

	Total Expenditure (\$ billion)	Share spent on 65+ (a)	Expenditure on 65+ (\$ billion)
Income Support for Seniors (b)	45.095	100%	45.095
Mature Age Income Support (b)	0.252	100%	0.252
Allowances, concessions and services for seniors (b)	0.093	100%	0.093
Aged Care (c)	21.371	100%	21.371
Medical services and benefits (d)	31.110	36.9%	11.480
Pharmaceutical benefits and services (d)	13.206	46.2%	6.101
Assistance to the States for public hospitals (d)	20.690	40.4%	8.359
Other health (d)	12.597	40.2%	5.064
TOTAL			97.815
Australian Government receipts (e)			456.280
			21.4%

2017-18 Tax Expenditure on Older People (f)

	Total Tax Expenditure (\$ billion)	Share on 65+ (a)	Tax Expenditure on 65+ (\$ billion)
Concessional taxation of superannuation entity earnings	17.700	100%	17.700
Concessional taxation of employer superannuation contributions	16.200	100%	16.200
GST — Health — medical and health services	4.300	40.2%	1.729
Exemption of the Private Health Insurance Rebate	1.580	40.2%	0.635
Exemption for public and not-for-profit hospitals and public ambulance services	1.550	40.2%	0.623
TOTAL			36.887

Sources

- (a) Expenditure shares are derived from: Australia. Parliament. Parliamentary Budget Office. (2019). Australia's ageing population - Understanding the fiscal impacts over the next decade, Figure 2-10
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