

Table 9: Social security and welfare – summary of expenses (pg 6-29)

	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
Assistance to the aged(a)	24,851	26,323	27,767	29,310	30,950
Assistance to veterans and dependents	5,578	5,734	5,834	5,931	6,002
Assistance to people with disabilities(b)	9,625	10,117	10,405	10,883	11,448
Assistance to families with children *	19,914	21,054	22,048	23,107	24,153
Assistance to the unemployed	5,569	5,695	6,382	6,497	6,440
Assistance to the sick	85	90	105	119	124
<i>Assistance to the unemployed and sick</i>	5,655	5,785	6,487	6,617	6,564
Common Youth Allowance	2,239	2,295	2,368	2,427	2,473
Other welfare programmes	325	337	340	360	366
Aboriginal advancement nec	1,297	1,408	1,439	1,470	1,507
General administration	2,280	2,403	2,426	2,449	2,460
Total social security and welfare *	71,763	75,455	79,114	82,553	85,922