

# AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE

## HIGHER EDUCATION FUNDING ACT 1988

### Factor to Index an Accumulated HEC Debt

I, **ERIN KATHLEEN HOLLAND**, as delegate of the Commissioner of Taxation, HEREBY NOTIFY, pursuant to subsection 106N(9) of the *Higher Education Funding Act 1988*, that **1.024** is the factor to be used for the indexing of accumulated HEC debts on 1 June 2004.

In accordance with subsection 106N(5) of the *Higher Education Funding Act 1988*, the indexation factor is the number worked out to three decimal places using the formula:

the sum of the index number for the March 2004 quarter and the index numbers for the 3 immediately preceding quarters

divided by

the sum of the index number for the March 2003 quarter and the index numbers for the 3 immediately preceding quarters,

where index number, in relation to a quarter, means the All Groups Consumer Price Index number, being the weighted average of the 8 capital cities, published by the Australian Statistician in respect of that quarter.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Indexation factor for 1 June 2004} &= \frac{\text{Mar04+Dec03+Sep03+Jun03.}}{\text{Mar03+Dec02+Sep02+Jun02}} \\ &= \frac{144.1 + 142.8 + 142.1 + 141.3}{141.3 + 139.5 + 138.5 + 137.6} \\ &= \frac{570.3}{556.9} \\ &= 1.024 \text{ (rounded to 3 decimal places)}\end{aligned}$$

The indexation factor is 1.024 and the effective percentage increase is 2.4%.

Dated this 30th day of April 2004

signed Erin Holland