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Welfare to Work – Increase in the Mobility Allowance to \$100 per fortnight

What funding is the Government committing to increase the Mobility Allowance?

- ▶ The Howard Government will provide funding of \$42.5 million over three years, from 1 July 2006, to increase the Mobility Allowance.

Why is the Government introducing this measure?

- ▶ Increasing the Mobility Allowance will help people who are unable to use public transport to undertake job search and take up employment.

What is new?

- ▶ The Mobility Allowance will be increased from \$69.70 to \$100 per fortnight for people with work capacity of less than 30 hours a week who are working 15 hours or more a week in the open labour market, or who are looking for such work with assistance from an employment services provider.
 - ▶ People who increase their hours enough to go off income support can retain their mobility allowance.
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