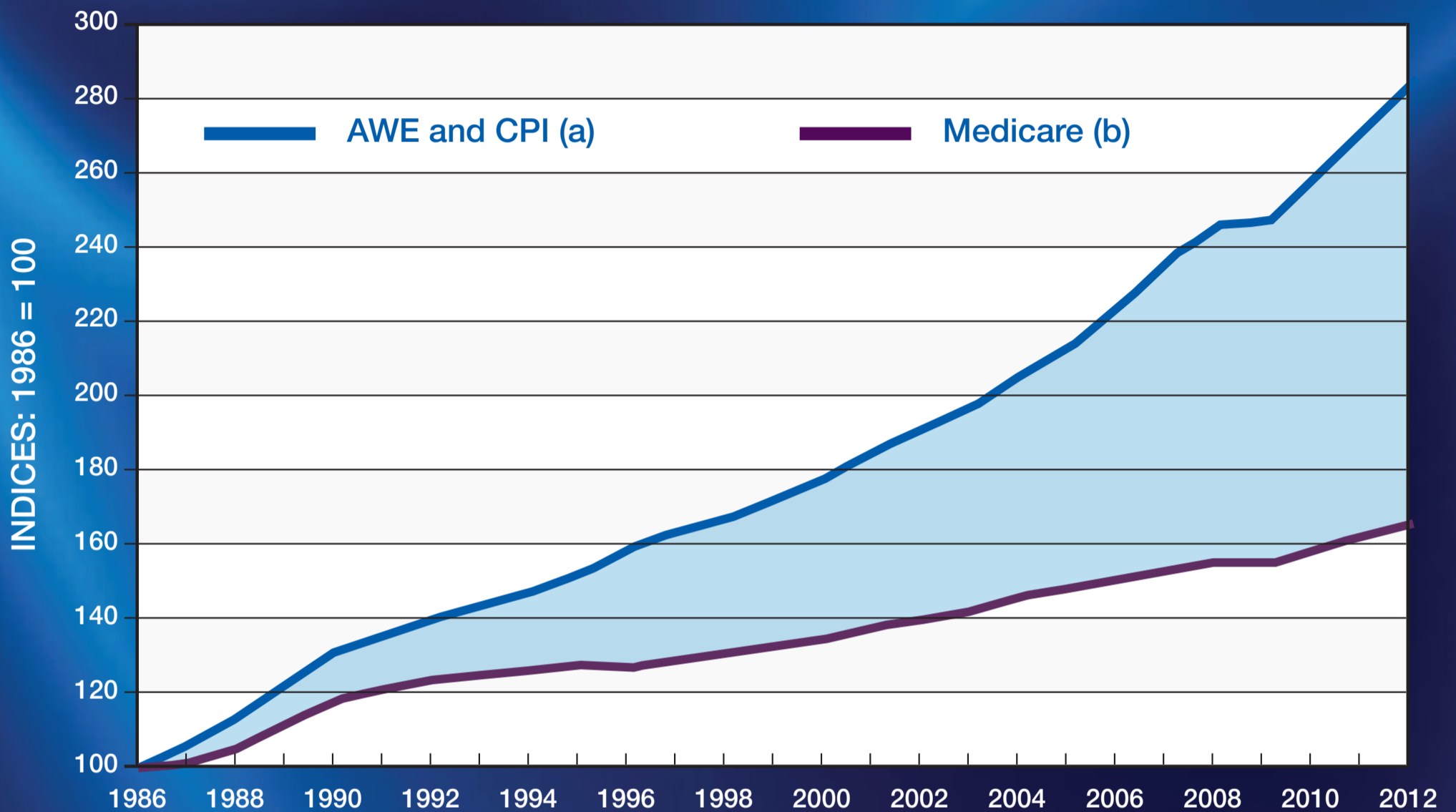


# GAPS

## Why is there a gap?



- (a) Index comprising average weekly earnings and consumer price index (70:30) reflecting the average cost structures in medical practices.  
b) Index of Medicare fees as determined by the Commonwealth Government.

Government's indexation of Medicare rebates has not kept pace with the rising cost of practice. On average AWE and CPI increase by 3.3% per year to cover the rising costs of practice. Medicare rebates only increase by 2.1% per year.

**The difference is a decrease in the value of your rebate.  
Making your rebate worth less every year.**

**Concerned? Talk to your local Federal MP.**



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