

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Budget Estimates 2012-2013, 30 & 31 May and 1 June 2012

Question: E12-119

OUTCOME 0: Whole of Portfolio

Topic: Stationery Requirements

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Senator: Senator McKenzie

Question:

- a) How much was spent by each department and agency on the government (Ministers/Parliamentary Secretaries) stationery requirements in your portfolio (i.e. paper, envelopes, with compliments slips) this financial year to date?
- b) What is the department / agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?
- c) What was the department / agency's stationery costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?

Answer:

- a) The total spent on stationery for the period 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012 for the offices of the Ministers and the Parliamentary Secretary was \$43,988 (GST Inc). This includes paper, envelopes, business cards and general office supplies used to undertake portfolio related business. Please refer to Table A for costs per Ministerial/Parliamentary Secretary office.
- b) The department's/agency's stationery costs for the period 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012 was \$1,337,284 (GST Inc).
- c) The department/agency's stationery costs for the 2009-10 financial year was \$2,610,017 (GST Inc). The department/agency's stationery costs for 2010-11 financial year was \$1,751,210 (GST Inc).

Table A

1 July 2011 to 14 Dec 2011		14 Dec 2011 to 31 May 2012	
Minister / Parliamentary Secretary	Total cost of stationary requirements incl. GST	Minister / Parliamentary Secretary	Total cost of stationary requirements incl. GST
Minister for Health & Ageing ¹	\$7,678.79	Minister for Health ²	\$12,338.33
1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012			
Minister / Parliamentary Secretary		Total cost of stationary requirements incl. GST	
Minister for Mental Health & Ageing		\$19,896.63	
Minister for Indigenous Health ³		\$2,722.47	
Parliamentary Secretary for Health & Ageing ⁴		\$1,352.12	

1 **Minister for Health & Ageing:** Prior to Ministerial reshuffle on 14 December 2011.

2 **Minister for Health:** Following Ministerial reshuffle on 14 December 2011.

3 **Minister for Indigenous Health:** The Minister's lead agency is the Department of Veterans' Affairs, with a three-way cost sharing split between the Department of Veterans' Affairs, the Department of Defence and the Department of Health and Ageing.

4 **Parliamentary Secretary for Health and Ageing:** The Parliamentary Secretary's costs are split between the Department of Infrastructure and Transport and the Department of Health and Ageing through cost sharing arrangements.