

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
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**2010-11 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 033

**Topic:** Consultancies

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Fifield** asked:

How many consultancies have been undertaken or are underway since Budget Estimates 2010? Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the contract, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Please also include total value for all consultancies, including figures for total spending on consultancies and also value of contracts awarded? Provide total figures since Budget Estimates 2010 and a breakdown on these figures for FY 2008/09 and 2009/10 FYTD.

**Answer:**

Since the last Budget Estimates (i.e.1 May to 31 October 2010), 141 consultancies have been undertaken or are underway. The total value of these consultancies is \$14.2 million with expenditure up till 31 October of \$5.1 million.

A listing of FaHCSIA's contracts (including consultancies), valued at \$10,000 or more is publically available on the AusTender website.

For the financial years 2008-09 and 2009-10, the department's expenditure on consultancies can be found on page 191 of the department's 2009-10 Annual Report.

(All figures quoted are GST inclusive.)