

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: AET 510-514

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment

Written: Received from Committee – 22 February 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

510. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
511. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
512. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
513. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
514. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

Answer:

510 & 511. Hospitality and entertainment expenses incurred in the period from 1 July 2012 to 22 February 2013 are shown in the table below.

Date of Event	Location	Purpose	Cost \$
JUL 2012	Canberra	AOFM Spring Clean Lunch	415
SEP 2012	Canberra	Staff function – End of Financial Year Lunch	353
NOV 2012	Canberra	Staff function – Lunch	72
NOV 2012	Canberra	AOFM Advisory Board Meeting - Lunch	638
JAN 2013	Canberra	Staff function – Lunch	238
TOTAL			1,716

512 & 513. There is currently no planned entertainment and hospitality expenditure.

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514. The AOFM incurs entertainment and hospitality expenses by events. A number of entertainment and hospitality expenses incurred in the period from 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 are not expected to be incurred by the AOFM on an annual basis. For details of 2011-2012 expenditure see answers to Supplementary Budget Estimates October 2012, Questions 562-563 illustrating that entertainment expenses are expected to be lower in financial year 2012-13 with less events incurred compared to last financial year.