

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: AET 939-941

Topic: Media subscriptions (ATO)

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

939. What pay TV subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a. Please provide a list of what channels and the reason for each channel.
- b. What is the cost for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?

940. What newspaper subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a. Please provide a list of newspaper subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b. What is their cost for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?

941. What magazine subscriptions does your department/agency have?

- a. Please provide a list of magazine subscriptions and the reason for each.
- b. What is their cost for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?

Answer:

939. The ATO does not subscribe to pay TV. However, the ATO does subscribe to the Parliamentary Network.

There has been no change to the Parliamentary Network subscription since the 2012-13 Supplementary Budget Estimates in October 2012.

The annual cost for the subscription to the Parliamentary Network for 2012-13 is \$6,651 (exclusive of GST). This was paid on 9 October 2012.

940. The ATO subscribes to a range of hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals. These subscriptions are primarily business and/or industry focused. The ATO's financial management information system does not separately identify these costs by publication.

In 2012-13 to 28 February 2013, the ATO's expenditure on hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals was \$131,716.

941. Please refer to the response provided to question AET 940.