## **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
Additional Estimates Hearing 2011-12
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

**TOPIC:** Taxi Costs

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Bushby

**QUESTION No.:** AI-249

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

## **ANSWER**

To provide a breakdown of taxi costs by business group would involve a significant diversion of departmental and agency resources. As such, taxi costs at the department/agency level have been provided.

	Financial Year				
Department/Agency	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12 (to 29 February)
	\$ (GST exclusive)				
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education (DIISRTE)	775,156	620,308	815,219	874,901	550,807
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS)	21,954	21,593	28,510	29,494	24,646
Australian Institute of Marine Science (AIMS)	*	*	*	40,045	22,954
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO)	43,637	40,035	33,521	35,864	27,269
Australian Research Council (ARC)*	38,409	70,221	54,968	50,424	30,491
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO)	٨	1,968,234	1,997,673	1,811,777	1,263,048
IP Australia	167,510	181,576	151,269	141,751	68,601

- \* AIMS is unable to provide a breakdown of taxi costs as this information cannot be easily separated from other travel spending for the years 2007-08 to 2009-10. To extract this information would require a significant diversion of resources.
- ♣ Amounts for the ARC also include car hire and rental costs, the breakdown of which would involve a significant diversion of resources.
- ^ CSIRO 2007-08 information is maintained in a legacy system. To access this information would require a significant diversion of resources.

Please note – as this information is as at 29 February 2012 this does not include Outcome 3 and associated Agencies which are transferring from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations as a result of Machinery of Government changes.