

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome 2

DEEWR Question No. EW0066_10

Senator Payne provided in writing.

Question

Australian Youth Forum – Outreach Events

Who attended these events on behalf of the Government and any relevant departments?
What were the travel costs for any government or departmental representatives?

Answer

The Hon Kate Ellis MP, Minister for Early Childhood Education, Child Care and Youth attended each of the Australian Youth Forum (AYF) Outreach Events.

The following local members also attended the events: Ms Jodie Campbell MP, Member for Bass (Launceston); Mr Sid Sidebottom MP, Member for Braddon (Devonport); Mr Daryl Melham MP, Member for Banks (Bankstown).

Three staff members from the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) attended each AYF Outreach Event.

In addition, at the Launceston and Devonport event, two representatives from the DEEWR Tasmanian State Office attended the AYF Outreach events, as they were in the area for other work-related business.

The travel costs for Members of Parliament are not paid using program or departmental funds.

The total travel cost for departmental representatives' travel for the four AYF Outreach events is approximately \$5100.00.