

**Answer to question on notice:**

Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism

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- **Senator HUMPHRIES:** Do we have a figure for the contribution of tourism to tax revenues?

**Ms Madden:** Can I take that on notice?

**Senator HUMPHRIES:** Sure.

**Ms Madden:** Besides, I would like to liaise with the Treasury. One of the issues here, as you probably would be aware, is that although tourism is a major industry it is not defined within the Australian and New Zealand Standard Industrial Classification—ANZSIC. We have, over many decades, worked with the ABS and others to build up this statistical architecture, if you like, for the industry. I am not quite sure if the actual tax receipts can be tracked to find the proportion, but we will take that on notice and come back to you as quickly as possible.

Our response on notice is as follows:

" According to the 2010-11 Tourism Satellite Account (Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 5249.0), total net taxes on products in tourism consumption were \$7.2b (including \$4.1b net taxes on indirect tourism output). Net taxes on tourism products amounted to \$3.1b in 2010-11. This was up by 5.4% on the previous year. "