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Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts Portfolio

Senator Bridget McKenzie: asked the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts on 2 November 2023—

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Answer —

Please find answer attached.

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Answer:

While non-aviation developments help to underpin the financial diversification and viability of leased federal airports, the Australian Government remains committed to ensuring that leased federal airports continue to function primarily as airports and provide adequate access to general aviation users.

In the 2023 financial year, Moorabbin Airport was the busiest general aviation and training airport in the country with 237,410 aircraft movements.