

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 365

Topic: Travel costs

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Senator Smith asked:

Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.

Answer:

Under FaHCSIA's Enterprise Agreement 2012-14, airline membership can be provided to an employee who is likely to be travelling regularly by air on FaHCSIA business.

As at 31 May 2013, 38 SES employees, 159 Executive Level employees and 41 APS employees were provided with Qantas Club membership. Ten SES employees, 17 Executive Level employees and 8 APS employees were provided with Virgin Velocity membership.

The total cost of airline memberships for the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013 was \$73,740 (GST exclusive).