

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

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 384

**Topic:** Hire cars

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**Senator Smith** asked:

How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for hire car costs?

**Answer:**

For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013, the Department's expenditure on hire cars (i.e. self-drive rental cars) was \$267,728 (GST exclusive).

Hire cars are used by Departmental staff for official business purposes.

It is not possible to provide an accurate breakdown by business group without significant diversion of Department resources.