

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question No: 395

Topic: Taxi costs

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Boyce asked:

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

The Department's expenditure on taxis was \$753,371 (GST exclusive) in the 2011-12 financial year.

Due to structural reorganisations and movements within groups of the Department throughout this period it is not possible to provide an accurate breakdown of taxi costs by business group without significant diversion of Departmental resources.

Taxis are used for staff travelling on Departmental business and for travel relating to staff attendance at conferences and seminars. Taxi services are used for official purposes only.

Information from the portfolio agencies is not able to be provided without the use of significant resources.