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Screen Australia

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Topic: Funding

Senator Kakoschke-Moore, Skye asked:

1. What was the total funding amount provided to international productions (either TV or film), in the last five years? Can this amount include both grants and rebates?
2. What was the total funding amount provided to Australian productions in the same time period?
3. How many international films received one-off grants from the Australian Government in that same time period?
4. What was the total amount claimed under the Location Offset rebates, as provided to international films in the last five years?

Answer:

1. Total funding provided to international productions through grants and the Location Offset rebate in the financial years 2011-12 to 2015-16 was \$119.37 million.
2. All funding for Australian projects are listed in Screen Australia's Annual Reports, which can be found publicly on their website – <http://www.screenaustralia.gov.au/about-us/corporate-documents/annual-reports>
3. Five international productions received one-off grants over the five years from 2011-12 to 2015-16.
4. In the financial years 2011-12 to 2015-16 the Minister for the Arts issued final certificates under the Location Offset to productions with a total qualifying Australian production expenditure of \$539.58 million. This equates to productions accessing a rebate total of up to \$86.57 million, subject to their tax liabilities.