

Senate Economics Legislation Committee
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2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ABS
Question: AET 3530-3534
Topic: Building Lease Costs
Reference: Written - 19 February 2016
Senator: Ludwig, Joe & Wong, Penny

Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

3530. What has been the total cost of building leases for the agency / department?

3531. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is currently leased. Please detail by:

- a) Date the lease agreement is active from.
- b) Date the lease agreement ends.
- c) Is the lease expected to be renewed? If not, why not?
- d) Location of the building (City and state).
- e) Cost of the lease.
- f) Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.

3532. Please provide a detailed list of each building that had a lease that was not renewed during the specified period. Please detail by:

- a) Date from which the lease agreement was active.
- b) Date the lease agreement ended.
- c) Why was the lease not renewed?
- d) Location of the building (City and state).
- e) Cost of the lease.
- f) Why the building was necessary for the operations of the agency / department.

3533. Please provide a detailed list of each building that is expected to be leased in the next 12 months. Please detail by:

- a) Date the lease agreement is expected to become active.

- b) Date the lease agreement is expected to end.
- c) Expected location of the building (City and state).
- d) Expected cost of the lease.
 - 1. Has this cost been allocated into the budget?
- e) Why the building is necessary for the operations of the agency / department.

3534. For each building owned or leased by the department:

- a) What is the current occupancy rate for the building?
- b) If the rate is less than 100%, detail what the remaining being used for.

Answer:

3530. \$11,154,454 Approx. (01 September 2015 – 31 January 2016)

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State	Lease Start Date	Lease End Date	Renewed	Address	15/16 Lease Cost Approx. (1 September 15 – 31 January 16)	Operations
ACT	13/03/2002	12/03/2017	No. Subject to market test.	Belconnen ACT	\$6,484,131	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
NSW	01/11/2011	31/10/2021	No. Subject to market test.	Sydney, NSW	\$788,145	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
VIC	01/06/2006	31/05/2016	No. Subject to market test.	Melbourne Vic	\$1,006,745	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.

QLD	01/11/2015	31/010/2025	No. Subject to market test.	Brisbane Qld	\$230,418	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
SA	01/02/2007	31/01/2017	No. Subject to market test.	Adelaide SA	\$1,019,910	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
WA	01/08/2014	31/07/2024	No. Subject to market test.	Perth WA	\$801,112	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
TAS	05/09/2007	04/09/2017	No. Subject to market test.	Hobart Tas.	\$577,347	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
NT	06/09/2009	05/09/2017	No. Subject to market test.	Darwin NT	\$227,454	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
VIC	01/01/2016	30/06/2017	No. Not required ongoing.	Dandenong VIC	\$19,192	2016 Census Data Capture Centre

3532. Nil.

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State	Lease Start	Lease Finish	Location	Est. Lease Cost (Annual)	Use
VIC	01/03/2016	28/02/2026	Geelong VIC	\$1,015,000 (Yes, it has been allocated in the Budget)	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
VIC	01/06/2016	30/05/2026	Melbourne VIC	\$2,172,506 (Yes, it has been allocated in the Budget)	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
ACT	14/3/2017	1/3/2032	Canberra ACT	\$7,142,614 (Yes, it has been allocated in the Budget)	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.
SA	1/2/2017	1/2/2027	Adelaide SA	\$1,304,597 (Yes, it has been allocated in the Budget)	Delivery of National Statistical Program and State Govt. Statistical Support.

3534. All buildings are 100% occupied with the exception of ACT and Dandenong. The ACT office will be 100% occupied from July 2016 for Census while the Dandenong office is a warehouse that is used for processing of Census.