

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation and Science Portfolio
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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Subscriptions

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bilyk

QUESTION No.: AI-94

1. What was the total cost (GST inclusive) of subscriptions to print and online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals etc in calendar year 2016 for the Department? Please provide a complete list of each service to which the Department subscribed.
2. What was the total cost (GST inclusive) of subscriptions to print and online news services, newspapers, magazines, journals and periodicals etc in calendar year 2016 for Ministers in the portfolio? Please provide a complete list of each service to which ministerial offices subscribed.

ANSWER

The question requests information on print and online news services, newspapers, magazine, journals and periodicals.

The Department and Ministers' offices subscribe to a number of these services, which are accounted for within the following general ledger accounts:

1. Library;
2. Newspapers;
3. Subscriptions & Periodicals;
4. Publications; and
5. Media transcriptions and services.

The total expenditure for the 2016 calendar year was \$2,303,539 (GST inclusive) however these five accounts are considerably broader in scope than the Senator's question. The total also includes technical & scientific journals, media monitoring, subscription services on Australian industry and Federal legislation.

The data is not held in a way that allows disaggregation between the department and Ministers' Offices.

N.B. This answer has been updated. Due to an administrative error, the previous answer that was tabled was not the correct version.