

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2016 - 2017

Division/Agency: Small Business and Consumer Policy Division

Question No: 300

Topic: Small Business Roadshow

Reference: Written

Senator: Ketter, Chris

Question:

- 1) How many cities and towns have hosted the Small Business Roadshow?
- 2) List all these cities and towns, and the dates that the roadshows occurred
- 3) In which cities and towns, and on what dates, will future roadshows be held?
- 4) Please list all Treasury portfolio ministers, Treasury staff, and Treasury portfolio agency staff that attended each roadshow
- 5) Please provide details of costs for each roadshow, broken down into:
 - a. Air travel;
 - b. Accommodation;
 - c. Road transport;
 - d. Venue hosting;
 - e. Catering; and
 - f. Incidental costs.

Answer:

- 1) 17.
- 2) See attached.
- 3) Future dates are subject to change however it should be noted that they will include small regional and rural country towns, as well as metropolitan areas in every State and Territory. The Minister wants to meet with small businesses and representatives from as many regions, towns and cities as possible regardless of location.
- 4) The Minister for Small Business. No Treasury Staff. A number of different Agency Staff from ACCC, ATO and ASBFEO have attended the Roadshow.
- 5) The Minister for Small Business is visiting small businesses and chambers of commerce throughout Australia on his Small Business Roadshow to help shape future Government policy by hearing directly the challenges and issues the sector faces. The Minister is also meeting with small business people to help explain the elements of the Government's strong small business agenda. Listening and providing information to small businesses are major parts of his role, and therefore travel costs are met as per the Ministerial and Parliamentary Services guidelines. Agency travel costs have been met from within existing Budget allocations for staff travel. No venue hosting, catering and incidental costs have been met by Treasury.

Attachment:

Small Business Roadshow Cities and Towns visited as at 12 April 2017

Monday 20 February	Mitcham
Tuesday 21 February	Murray Bridge
Weds 23 and Thurs 24 Feb	Dubbo
Monday 6 April	Brisbane
Tuesday 7 March	Gympie, Noosa
Wednesday 8 March	Collaroy
Tuesday 14 March	Bathurst, Oberon
Thursday 16 March	Berwick
Tuesday 4 April	Wodonga, Benalla
Thursday 6 April	Belmont
Monday 10 April	Dalby
Tuesday 11 April	Upper Mount Gravatt
Wednesday 12 April	Deception Bay, Bracken Ridge

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