

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: BET 613-616

Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment (ABS)

Hansard Page: Written (Received from Committee 13 June 2012)

Senator Bushby asked:

- 613. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
- 614. What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
- 615. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
- 616. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

Answer:

613-614. The Australian Bureau of Statistics spent \$15,684.79 (exclusive of GST) on hospitality and entertainment for the financial period 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012.

These amounts relate to expenditure used to facilitate the conduct of public business within and between Commonwealth agencies; or with external organisations and agencies; or with external organisations or individuals with related vocational, technical or business interests.

The date, location, purpose and cost of all events is listed in the attached Table 1.

615-616. The Australian Bureau of Statistics is expecting to spend \$16,165.00 (exclusive of GST) on hospitality and entertainment for the financial period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012.

Spending proposals are decided on a case by case basis with consideration of the purpose for hospitality / entertainment, which is to facilitate the conduct of public business within and between Commonwealth agencies; or with external organisations and agencies; or with external organisations or individuals with related vocational, technical or business interests.

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Table 1: Hospitality / Entertainment for YTD May 2011-12

Hospitality - YTD Expenditure May 2012

Date	State	City	Purpose	\$ Amount (Excl GST)
01/07/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism - Lunch	30.73
01/07/2011	NSW	Sydney	Official visit - Treasury delegates - Breakfast	55.45
01/07/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Malaysian delegation - Dinner	217.09
01/07/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - New Zealand delegation - Lunch	121.27
01/07/2011	SA	Adelaide	Official visit - Statistics delegation - Lunch	117.27
01/08/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics delegation - Lunch	248.18
01/08/2011	VIC	Melbourne	Official visit - PSMA Australia - Lunch	133.18
01/08/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics delegation - Lunch	368.18
01/08/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Mongolian delegation - Dinner	53.78
01/09/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Indonesian delegation - Dinner	455.91
01/09/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	200.09
01/09/2011	VIC	Melbourne	Official visit - Fiji delegation - Dinner	475.91
01/09/2011	VIC	Melbourne	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	168.84
01/09/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - New Zealand delegation - Lunch	75.45
22/09/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	230.36
30/09/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics New Zealand delegation - Dinner	302.00
01/10/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - New Zealand delegation - Dinner	291.55
01/10/2011	VIC	Melbourne	Official visit - Statistics New Zealand delegation - Dinner	350.91
04/10/2011	NSW	Sydney	Official visit - Statistics Malaysia delegation - Lunch	334.30
13/10/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Chinese delegation - Dinner	877.27
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics New Zealand delegation - Dinner	401.82
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Indonesian delegation - Lunch	174.91
01/11/2011	QLD	Brisbane	Official function - National Corrective Services Statistics Unit - Dinner	316.18
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development - Lunch	59.09
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	985.36
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - ANU delgation - Lunch	41.09
01/11/2011	Switzerland	Geneva	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	111.45
01/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	725.34
04/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics Sweden delegation - Lunch	48.47
04/11/2011	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - ANU delegates - Breakfast	60.00
01/12/2011	Canada	Ottawa	Official visit - Canadian delegation - Dinner	431.37
01/12/2011	UK	Hampshire	Official function - National Statistical Service - Dinner	161.41
19/12/2011	VIC	Melbourne	Official visit - International delegation - Lunch	392.73
10/01/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics Sweden delegation - Lunch	36.45
16/02/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Wentworth Group of Scientitsts Delegation - Lunch	50.55
17/02/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Ethiopian Delegation - Dinner	710.00
20/02/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics Canada delegation - Dinner	329.09
20/02/2012	Slovenia	Ljubljana	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	121.16
20/02/2012	NSW	Sydney	Official visit - Ethiopian delegation - Lunch	523.18
23/02/2012	CO	Canberra	Official visit - Canada Delegation -Lunch	204.91
26/02/2012	USA	New York	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	1,830.22
29/02/2012	Slovenia	Ljubljana	Official visit - Slovenia delegation- Dinner	653.20
12/03/2012	TAS	Hobart	Official visit - Ugandan Delegation -Lunch	209.64
14/03/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	140.91
20/03/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics New Zealand - Dinner	49.27
20/03/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Statistics New Zealand - Dinner	341.55
05/04/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - New Zealand delegation - Dinner	366.82
19/04/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Cambodian delegation - Lunch	109.45
24/04/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - Cambodian delegation - Lunch	144.91
27/04/2012	NT	Darwin	Official visit - Timor delegation - Dinner	621.36
02/05/2012	ACT	Canberra	Official visit - International delegation - Dinner	225.18
Total YTD Hospitality Expenditure May 2012				15,684.79