

# **Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

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5 June 2013

**Question: BET 1031-1040**

**Topic: Contractors (ATO)**

**Written**

**Senator BUSHBY asked:**

1031. Has the department/agency ever employed Hawker Britton in any capacity or is it considering employing Hawker Britton? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1032. Has the department/agency ever employed Shannon's Way in any capacity or is it considering employing Shannon's Way? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1033. Has the department/agency ever employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity or is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1034. Has the department/agency ever employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity or is it considering employing McCann-Erickson? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1035. Has the department/agency ever employed Cutting Edge in any capacity or is it considering employing Cutting Edge? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1036. Has the department/agency ever employed Ikon Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing Ikon Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1037. Has the department/agency ever employed CMAX Communications in any capacity or is it considering employing CMAX Communications? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1038. Has the department/agency ever employed Boston Consulting Group in any capacity or is it considering employing Boston Consulting Group? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).
1039. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
1040. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

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**Answer:**

1031. No
1032. The ATO has engaged Shannon's Way (Shannon Company Pty Ltd acting as the Trustee for the Shannon Group Trust) in the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013. Details are available on [tenders.gov.au](http://tenders.gov.au)
1033. No
1034. The ATO has engaged Media Brands trading as Universal McCann in the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013. Details are available on [tenders.gov.au](http://tenders.gov.au)
1035. No
1036. No
1037. No
1038. The ATO engaged The Boston Consulting Group in 2011-12. The contract was ongoing in 2012-13. Details are available on [tenders.gov.au](http://tenders.gov.au)
1039. No
1040. The ATO engaged contractors under 550 separate contracts from 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013. A comprehensive list of the contractors is available on [tenders.gov.au](http://tenders.gov.au)

The service categories and the associated costs are provided in Table 1 (individual contracts with values less than \$10,000 are excluded.) Please note, Table 1 shows the total value of the contract, not expenditure in the present year. Contracts may extend over multiple years and the value will exceed expenditure until the contract has been completed. At completion, both value and expenditure should be equal.

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**Table 1: Service categories - 2012-13 to 31 May 2013**

Service Category	Number of contracts	Value (\$)*
Accounting services	4	521,214
Advertising	25	3,416,712
Application implementation services	5	31,965,965
Audit services	2	26,731
Business administration services	11	5,252,751
Comprehensive health services	16	4,632,818
Computer programmers	115	28,719,165
Education and training services	101	4,403,977
Forensic IT services	1	21,467
Interpreters	2	20,000
Legal services	22	15,024,705
Library or documentation services	10	358,413
Management advisory services (including two contracts to the value of approximately \$217 million over five years with Stellar Asia Pacific Pty Ltd and Serco Australia Pty Limited)	58	221,236,633
Market research	23	2,459,637
Occupational health or safety services	2	244,491
Personnel recruitment	22	1,562,704
Printing	56	11,869,964
Property management services	7	47,744,535
Public relation services	1	15,972
Relocation services	2	98,327
Software maintenance and support	36	40,122,956
Temporary personnel services	27	38,737,203
Written translation services	2	46,657
<b>Total</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>458,502,997</b>

\*Only includes contracts greater than \$10,000. Figures have been rounded to the nearest dollar.