

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**Treasury Portfolio**  
Budget Estimates 2014  
3 June to 5 June 2014

**Department/ Agency:** Treasury

**Question:** BET1067-1074

**Topic:** Hospitality and Entertainment

**Reference:** Written – 12 June 2014

**Senator:** Ludwig

**Question**

1067. What is the Department/Agency's hospitality spend from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date including any catering and drinks costs.
1068. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total hospitality spend from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
- c) What is the Department/Agency's entertainment spend from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1069. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, please detail total entertainment spend from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date. Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1070. What hospitality spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1071. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what hospitality spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1072. What entertainment spend is the Department/Agency's planning on spending? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1073. For each Minister and Parliamentary Secretary office, what entertainment spend is currently being planned for? Detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events including any catering and drinks costs.
1074. Is the Department/Agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved?

**Answer:**

1067. The Department does not have information at this level of details readily available. The compilation of this data in order to respond to this question would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.

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1068. Treasurer – Refer to Attachment B

Assistant Treasurer – Nil

Parliamentary Secretary to the Treasurer – Nil

Minister for Small Business – Nil

c). The Treasury does not distinguish between hospitality and entertainment.  
 Refer to Attachment A.

1069. The Treasury's Ministers does not distinguish between hospitality and entertainment.  
 Refer to Attachment B.

1070. Treasury does not budget specifically for hospitality or entertainment. As events are identified, they are costs and paid from the existing Treasury budget.

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1072. Refer to response 1069.

1073. Refer to response 1070.

1074. The Treasury continues to pursue savings in supplier costs.

Attachment A

Event Date	Location	Description	GST Exclusive Amount
31-Jan-14	Deckhouse	Treasury Policy Planning Dinner	\$6,180.91
20-Feb-14	Intercontinental - NSW	G20 Deputies Informal Dinner	\$7,090.91
20-Feb-14	Intercontinental - NSW	G20 Informal Welcome Drinks	\$15,044.09
21-Feb-14	Admiralty House - NSW	G20 Welcome Cocktail BBQ Dinner	\$30,428.75
21-Feb-14	Aria Catering - NSW	G20 Casual BBQ Dinner Function	\$6,740.52
22-Feb-14	Government House - NSW	G20 Government House Cocktail Function and Working Dinner	\$18,373.04
22-Feb-14	Government House - NSW	G20 Evening Reception	\$7,995.00
23-Feb-14	Intercontinental - NSW	G20 Cocktail Reception with Event Stakeholders	\$9,272.73
18-Mar-14	O Bar and Dining - NSW	Welcome Drinks Investment & Infrastructure Working Group	\$2,448.00
27-Mar-14	The Ottoman Cuisine - ACT	State and Territory Treasurers Dinner	\$909.09
03-Apr-14	Otto Ristorante - NSW	FSI Committee and International Panel Dinner	\$1,403.14
10-Apr-14	Steel Bar and Grill - NSW	Dinner with Head of the IASB	\$566.52
16-Apr-14	Mezzalira Ristorante - ACT	Small Business Commissioner Office official lunch with Professor A.Sawyer	\$103.18
22-May-14	The Treasury Building	Executive Board Lunch with Professor Jeffrey Sachs	\$792.27
26-May-14	The Treasury Building	Lunch with N Gruen - Small Business and Entrepreneurship Seminar	\$792.27
11-Apr-14	Herbert Smith Freehills	Board of Taxation Meeting Official Lunch	\$1,182.73
14-Mar-14	Herbert Smith Freehills	Board of Taxation Meeting Official Lunch	\$1,181.82
27 February to 12 June			<b>\$110,504.95</b>

Attachment B

Event Date	Location	Description	GST Exclusive Amount
13-May-14	Parliament House	Treasurer's Budget Night Reception	\$8,835.11
19-Feb-14	Treasurer's Home - NSW	G20 Dinner hosted by the Treasurer	\$2,334.90
27 February to 12 June			<b>\$11,170.01</b>