

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Additional Estimates 23-27 February 2015

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet  
**Outcome/Program:** Outcome 1: Prime Minister and Cabinet  
**Topic:** G20

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Penny Wong

**Question reference number:** 218

**Type of question:** Written

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer:** 10 April 2015

**Number of pages:** 2

**Question:**

1. How much was spent on catering in total for the G20?
2. How much was spent on venue hire in total for the G20?
3. How many contractors were used?
4. Can the department provide information including costs, location of events and invitees on entertaining private sector leaders as part of the G20 activities?

**Answer:**

1. Catering was provided at the G20 Summit to approximately 7,700 leaders, delegates and media, and 1,460 G20 workforce during the period of Monday 10 November to Monday 17 November 2014. This included breakfast, lunch, dinner, light snacks throughout the day and late night meal options. The total catering costs were \$1,077,754.
2. Total cost of venue hire for the G20 Summit was \$6,931,362.

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre (Leaders' Summit) sole use | \$5,461,632 |
| Queensland Gallery of Modern Art (Leaders' Reception)                | \$122,500   |
| Parliament House Brisbane (Leaders' Retreat)                         | \$88,400    |
| Royal International Convention Centre (contingency venue) sole use   | \$1,175,000 |
| Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary (Spouse Program) sole use                  | \$12,397    |
| Arts Queensland  | \$71,433    |

3. Eleven contractors were engaged as staff members to undertake work for the G20 Taskforce. In addition, the G20 Taskforce entered into contact arrangements with approximately 338 suppliers to support the delivery of the summit. These suppliers engaged contractors to deliver and finalise work for the G20 Summit. The quantum of contractors

hired under these arrangements is not known by the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and would be an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

4. A senior business representative from each of the G20 member countries was invited by the Business 20 to attend a meeting with G20 leaders at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre (BCEC) on Friday 14 November 2014. The BCEC was the principle venue for the summit.