

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Budget Estimates 26 May-6 June 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Outcome/Program:** 1.1 Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Topic:** Corporate cars

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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**Question:**

- a) How many cars are owned by each department/agency?
- b) Where is the car/s located?
- c) What is the car/s used for?
- d) What is the cost of each car from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- e) How far did each car travel from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- f) How many cars are leased by each department/agency?
- g) Where are the cars located?
- h) What are the cars used for?
- i) What is the cost of each car from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?
- j) How far did each car travel from Additional Estimates in February, 2014 to date?

**Answer:**

a-e) No cars are owned by the Department.

f-j) The Department has 24 leased vehicles as at 31 May 2014. These comprise cars leased under the Executive Vehicle Scheme, which are provided to senior executives as part of their remuneration and to former Governors-General. The Department does not maintain the costs or travel information of each car in a manner which is readily accessible; to attempt to provide this information would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.

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The Department has a shared service arrangement with the Department of Human Services (DHS) for the provision of pool vehicles to support the Department's business operations around the country. As at 31 May 2014 DHS was supplying the Department with 190 fleet vehicles. These cars were distributed across Australia as outlined below.

ACT 14	NSW 27	NT 87	QLD 22	SA 8	VIC 1	TAS 1	WA30	Total 190
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These vehicles are primarily used for the following purposes:

- Courier services (ACT and State Offices);
- Business use by Government Engagement Coordinators and Indigenous Engagement Officers (located in communities);
- Business use by staff to monitor delivery of programs in regional and remote areas including visits to communities.