

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Question No: 165**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Staffing**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?
3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?
4. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?
5. How many non-ongoing staff left the department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?
6. How many contract staff left the department/agency in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?
7. How many ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?
8. How many non-ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?
9. How many contract staff left were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff? What is the average length of their employment period?
10. Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
11. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.

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**Answer:**

1. Ongoing employees recruited this financial year to date by classification (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 3	1
Admin/Professional Band 4	3
Admin/Professional Band 5	2
Admin/Professional Band 7	3
Admin/Professional Band 8	1
Content Maker Band 3	2
Content Maker Band 4	3
Content Maker Band 5	11
Content Maker Band 6	4
Content Maker Band 7	3
Content Maker Band 8	2
Senior Executive Band 1	1
Senior Executive Band 2	1
Senior Executive Band 3	1
Shop Assistant	3
Shop Manger Grade C	2
Shop Manger Grade D	1
Technologist Band 6	3
Technologist Band 7	1
Technologist Band 8	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>49</b>

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2. Current non-ongoing positions by classification (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Number of Positions</b>
Admin/Professional Band 1	4
Admin/Professional Band 2	3
Admin/Professional Band 3	13
Admin/Professional Band 4	19
Admin/Professional Band 5	17
Admin/Professional Band 6	11
Admin/Professional Band 7	9
Admin/Professional Band 8	9
Admin/Professional Band 9	5
Content Maker Band 1	4
Content Maker Band 2	5
Content Maker Band 3	42
Content Maker Band 4	74
Content Maker Band 5	72
Content Maker Band 6	53
Content Maker Band 7	33
Content Maker Band 8	24
Content Maker Band 9	19
Head Office Retail Mgr 1	1
Shop Assistant	2
Senior Executive Band 1	13
Senior Executive Band 2	13
Senior Executive Band 3	8
Senior Executive Band 4	4
Technologist Band 1	2
Technologist Band 3	1
Technologist Band 4	2
Technologist Band 5	1
Technologist Band 6	3
Technologist Band 7	4
Technologist Band 8	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>475</b>

"Non-Ongoing" covers contract positions only. Casual employees are not reported against established positions.

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3. There were 476 employees engaged on contract this financial year. The average length of employment was 70 days ('contract' includes fixed term, specified task, run of show, nominated long fixed term, nominated long term, specified task and phased retirement employees. Data includes contract renewals).
4. Number and classification of ongoing employees who left the ABC in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 2	3
Admin/Professional Band 3	9
Admin/Professional Band 4	11
Admin/Professional Band 5	12
Admin/Professional Band 6	8
Admin/Professional Band 7	10
Admin/Professional Band 8	4
Admin/Professional Band 9	1
Content Maker Band 2	2
Content Maker Band 3	17
Content Maker Band 4	33
Content Maker Band 5	41
Content Maker Band 6	63
Content Maker Band 7	43
Content Maker Band 8	21
Content Maker Band 9	9
Head Office Retail Mgr 1	1
Shop Assistant	25
Senior Executive Band 1	5
Senior Executive Band 2	8
Senior Executive Band 3	5
Senior Executive Band 4	2
Shop Manager Grade C	3
Shop Manager Grade D	1
Technologist Band 3	1
Technologist Band 4	2
Technologist Band 5	3
Technologist Band 6	5
Technologist Band 7	11
Technologist Band 8	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>362</b>

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5. Number and classification of non-ongoing staff who left the ABC in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 1	2
Admin/Professional Band 2	10
Admin/Professional Band 3	18
Admin/Professional Band 4	26
Admin/Professional Band 5	14
Admin/Professional Band 6	5
Admin/Professional Band 7	12
Admin/Professional Band 8	5
Casual Fixed Rate	163
Content Maker Band 1	10
Content Maker Band 2	63
Content Maker Band 3	80
Content Maker Band 4	120
Content Maker Band 5	75
Content Maker Band 6	64
Content Maker Band 7	31
Content Maker Band 8	10
Content Maker Band 9	4
Senior Executive Band 1	1
Senior Executive Band 2	2
Shop Assistant	55
Stock Assistant	5
Technologist Band 1	2
Technologist Band 4	1
Technologist Band 6	3
Technologist Band 7	2
Technologist Band 8	3
Technologist Band 9	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>787</b>

\* Non-Ongoing includes Contract and Casual employees.

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6. Number and classification of contract staff who left the ABC in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 2	4
Admin/Professional Band 3	11
Admin/Professional Band 4	21
Admin/Professional Band 5	10
Admin/Professional Band 6	5
Admin/Professional Band 7	10
Admin/Professional Band 8	3
Content Maker Band 2	9
Content Maker Band 3	31
Content Maker Band 4	75
Content Maker Band 5	56
Content Maker Band 6	52
Content Maker Band 7	28
Content Maker Band 8	9
Content Maker Band 9	4
Senior Executive Band 1	1
Senior Executive Band 2	2
Technologist Band 1	2
Technologist Band 6	1
Technologist Band 7	2
Technologist Band 8	2
Technologist Band 9	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>339</b>

Contract includes fixed term, specified task and run of show employees.

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7. Number and classification of ongoing staff recruited in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 2	1
Admin/Professional Band 3	1
Admin/Professional Band 4	5
Admin/Professional Band 5	8
Admin/Professional Band 6	6
Admin/Professional Band 7	4
Admin/Professional Band 8	5
Admin/Professional Band 9	1
Content Maker Band 2	6
Content Maker Band 3	4
Content Maker Band 4	15
Content Maker Band 5	18
Content Maker Band 6	9
Content Maker Band 7	8
Content Maker Band 8	3
Content Maker Band 9	4
Head Office Retail Mgr 1	1
Senior Executive Band 1	1
Senior Executive Band 2	3
Senior Executive Band 3	1
Shop Assistant	10
Shop Manger Grade C	3
Shop Manger Grade D	2
Technologist Band 3	1
Technologist Band 4	1
Technologist Band 5	4
Technologist Band 6	1
Technologist Band 7	5
Technologist Band 8	3
Technologist Band 9	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>137</b>

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8. Number and classification of non-ongoing staff recruited in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 1	5
Admin/Professional Band 2	22
Admin/Professional Band 3	36
Admin/Professional Band 4	40
Admin/Professional Band 5	19
Admin/Professional Band 6	8
Admin/Professional Band 7	11
Admin/Professional Band 8	6
Admin/Professional Band 9	4
Casual Fixed Rate	298
Content Maker Band 1	22
Content Maker Band 2	97
Content Maker Band 3	123
Content Maker Band 4	174
Content Maker Band 5	114
Content Maker Band 6	86
Content Maker Band 7	37
Content Maker Band 8	15
Content Maker Band 9	4
Head Office Retail Asst 5	1
Head Office Retail Mgr 1	1
Senior Executive Band 1	7
Senior Executive Band 2	2
Senior Executive Band 3	1
Shop Assistant	103
Stock Assistant	12
Technologist Band 1	3
Technologist Band 3	3
Technologist Band 4	2
Technologist Band 6	4
Technologist Band 7	2
Technologist Band 8	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,266</b>

Non-Ongoing includes Contract and Casual employees.



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9. Number and classification of contract employees recruited in 2011–12 (data as at 21 October 2012):

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
Admin/Professional Band 1	1
Admin/Professional Band 2	3
Admin/Professional Band 3	18
Admin/Professional Band 4	28
Admin/Professional Band 5	15
Admin/Professional Band 6	7
Admin/Professional Band 7	10
Admin/Professional Band 8	5
Admin/Professional Band 9	2
Content Maker Band 1	6
Content Maker Band 2	6
Content Maker Band 3	36
Content Maker Band 4	46
Content Maker Band 5	45
Content Maker Band 6	55
Content Maker Band 7	27
Content Maker Band 8	14
Content Maker Band 9	4
Head Office Retail Asst 5	1
Head Office Retail Mgr 1	1
Senior Executive Band 1	7
Senior Executive Band 2	2
Senior Executive Band 3	1
Technologist Band 1	3
Technologist Band 3	3
Technologist Band 4	1
Technologist Band 6	4
Technologist Band 7	1
Technologist Band 8	4
<b>Total</b>	<b>356</b>

Contract includes fixed term, specified task, run of show, nominated long fixed term, nominated long term specified task and phased retirement employees.

The average length of employment was 140 days.

10. The ABC has no “reduction targets”. However, mindful of operating efficiently, divisions regularly review their operational requirements. A number of divisions are currently consulting with staff as to their operational requirements.
11. Not applicable.

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**Question No: 166**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Forward Estimates Efficiencies**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Please detail how the department/agency will achieve savings over the forward estimates through pursuing further efficiencies in the way the public service operates (with reference to the media release issued by the Minister for Finance and Deregulation and the Special Minister of State on 25 September 2012:  
[http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr\\_1982012.html](http://www.financeminister.gov.au/media/2012/mr_1982012.html)).

In addition, please provide the following detail:

2. How will reductions in air travel spending be achieved? What is the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
3. What restrictions will be implemented for business flights? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
4. How will the use of external consultants and contractors be reduced? How will this impact on the department/agency? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
5. How will printing costs be reduced? Please explain if and how the department/agency will reduce its printing costs by five per cent or, if it will not, why not? How will it be determined what documents will no longer be printed? What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?

**Answer:**

1. These savings targets were set for the Portfolio and not directly for the ABC. The ABC will contribute one-off savings in support of the Portfolio savings measure. The ABC will achieve forward estimates efficiency savings in this financial year through negotiated lower costs of services with service providers for communication and signal delivery services.

2–5. The ABC is not subject to the Minister for Finance and Deregulation's requirements for further savings.

The ABC's one off- savings referenced in part 1 of this answer were delivered from its transmission contracts. Accordingly, questions 2-5 are not applicable.

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**Question No: 167**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Recruitment advertising**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How will the department/agency manage moving recruitment advertising online? Will all future recruitment advertisement be online only? If not, please explain why. What are the estimated savings for each year over the forward estimates?
2. How much was spent on recruitment advertising in 2011-12? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print advertising?
3. Please list where recruitment advertising was listed online and in print media.
4. How much has been spent on recruitment advertising this financial year to date? How much of this was spent online and how much of this was spent on print advertising?
5. Please list where recruitment advertising was placed online and in print media.

**Answer:**

1. The ABC aims to advertise in the most cost effective manner, however, advertising methods will vary depending on the candidates being targeted for each role. All vacancies greater than 12 months in duration are advertised online, however for certain vacancies there can also be value in advertising in specialist industry publications, regional, state and/or national print media.

The trend for ABC recruitment advertising expenditure continues to decline since the introduction of e-Recruitment online technology in February 2010. It is anticipated this downward trend will continue.

2. In 2011–12, \$101,990 was spent on recruitment advertising. Of this, \$31,300 was spent online and \$70,690 was spent on print.
3. The ABC does not keep listings for each use of print and online recruitment services.
4. In the financial year-to-date, \$31,011 has been spent on print advertising. Of this, \$12,005 was spent online and \$19,006 was spent on print.
5. Please refer to the answer to question 3, above.

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**Question No: 168**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Printing costs**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How much was spent on printing 2011-12? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents?
2. How many documents (please include the amount of copies) were printed in 2011-12? How many of these printed documents were also published online?
3. Of the documents that were printed in 2011-12, where were they delivered and what was the cost?
4. How much has been spent on printing this financial year to date? Of this amount, how much was for printing documents?
5. How many documents (include the amount of copies) have been printed this financial year to date? How many of these printed documents were also published online?

**Answer:**

Questions 1 – 3

Please refer to the answer to 2012 Budget Estimates Question on Notice 98 (attached).

Questions 4 – 5

<b>Document</b>	<b>Number of copies</b>	<b>Delivered to</b>	<b>Cost</b>	<b>Online</b>
ABC Annual Report	1500	Parliament, Canberra press gallery, libraries, government agencies, universities, ABC offices Australia-wide.	\$32,419	Yes
ABC Equity and Diversity Plan Annual Report	400	Parliament, ABC offices Australia-wide, libraries	\$6,288	Yes

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**Question No: 98**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Printing of Documents**

**Senator Fisher asked:**

Does the department/agency print any hard copies of reports/statements/papers they produce? If yes, please list how many copies, where they are delivered and the cost.

**Answer:**

The table below addresses the question in relation to professionally printed documents in 2011 and 2012.

<b>Document</b>	<b>Number of copies</b>	<b>Delivered to</b>	<b>Cost</b>
ABC Annual Report	1500	Parliament, libraries, government agencies, universities, ABC offices Australia-wide.	\$28,768
ABC Strategic Plan	3000	Minister, ABC offices Australia-wide	\$8,211
ABC Editorial Policies (including Code of Practice)	5000 (plus 2200 copies of Code of Practice)	ABC staff Australia-wide, Australian Communications and Media Authority	\$110,716
ABC Equity and Diversity Plan Annual Report	350	Parliament, ABC offices Australia-wide, libraries	\$2,800
Australia Network Annual Report	120	ABC offices, Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, limited number of external stakeholders	\$11,623.70

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**Question No: 169**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Graduate recruitment**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How much has been spent on 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.
2. Has any travel been incurred for 2013 Graduate Recruitment? Please itemise and detail costs.

**Answer:**

The ABC does not operate a graduate recruitment program.

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**Question No: 170**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Graduate training**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

How much is estimated to be spent on 2013 Graduate Training? Please provide details of what training is to be provided, why and the estimated cost for each.

**Answer:**

The ABC does not run a graduate employment program.

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**Question No: 171**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Government Advertising**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What was the total cost of all advertising for the financial year to date?
2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.
3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Please provide details of each advertising item.
4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Please provide details of each advertising item.
5. Did the advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Please provide the details for each advertising item.
6. Please provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services.
7. What advertising – Campaign and Non-Campaign – and other communications programs is the department/agency undertaking and/or planning to undertake?

**Answer:**

Not applicable.

For the purposes of this question, the ABC has interpreted ‘Government advertising’ to refer to “*communication of a government message to the public – possibly by advertising (print, television etc), possibly through the erection of signs, plaques etc, or through other mediums*”, as set out in Senator Barnett’s Question on Notice 38 from Budget Estimates 2010.



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**Question No: 172**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Government Advertising**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What was the total cost of all advertising for 2011-12?
2. Is the advertising campaign or non-campaign advertising? Please provide details of each advertising, including the program the advertising was for, the total spend and the business that provided the advertising services.
3. Has the Department of Finance and Deregulation provided any advice about the advertising? Please provide details of each advertising item.
4. Has the Peer Review Group (PRG) and/or Independent Communications Committee (ICC) provided any advice about the advertising? Please provide details of each advertising item.
5. Did the advertising comply with the Guidelines on Information and Advertising Campaigns by Australian Government Departments and Agencies? Please provide the details for each advertising item.
6. Please provide details for any other communications program, including details of the program, the total spend and the business that provided the communication services, that was undertaken in 2011-12.

**Answer:**

Not applicable.

For the purposes of this question, the ABC has interpreted 'Government advertising' to refer to "*communication of a government message to the public – possibly by advertising (print, television etc), possibly through the erection of signs, plaques etc, or through other mediums*", as set out in Senator Barnett's Question on Notice 38 from Budget Estimates 2010.

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**Question No: 173**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What is the department/agency's hospitality spend for this financial year to date? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. What is the department/agency's entertainment spend for this financial year to date? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
2. What hospitality spend is the department/agency planning? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
3. What entertainment spend is the department/agency planning? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
4. Is the department/agency planning on reducing any of its spending on these items? If so, how will reductions be achieved and what are the estimated savings over each year of the forward estimates?

**Answer:**

1. The ABC considers hospitality to be a subset of its entertainment expenditure in accordance with the ABC's Entertainment and Functions policy. Entertainment expenditure may include hosting guests at key media industry events (eg, the Walkley Awards and the Andrew Olle lecture), hosting the ABC's annual Parliament House Showcase, launching ABC Television's new season programming and attendance at press club luncheons. For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 October 2012 the ABC spent \$148,000 on entertainment.
2. There are currently no planned hospitality spends.
3. The ABC is forecasting to spend in total \$471,000 on entertainment in 2012-13. This is a forecast, based on past expenditure, however, it would not be feasible to separately identify items of entertainment due to the high volume and small nature of the transactions.
4. The Corporation reviews expenditure on entertainment as part of managing the overall budget.

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**Question No: 174**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Hospitality and Entertainment**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What is the department/agency's hospitality spend for 2011-12? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
2. What is the department/agency's entertainment spend for 2011-12? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.

**Answer:**

1. As noted in the ABC's response to Question on Notice 173, the ABC considers hospitality to be a subset of its entertainment expenditure in accordance with the ABC's Entertainment and Functions policy (see part 2 of this answer for entertainment spend). As noted in the ABC's response to Question on Notice 173, it is not feasible to separately identify items of entertainment due to the high volume and small nature of the transactions.
2. For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012, the ABC spent \$457,000 on entertainment.

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**Question No: 175**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Freedom of Information**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

- a. Has the Department/agency received any updated advice on how to respond to FOI requests?
- b. What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for 2011-12?
- c. How many FOI requests did the department/agency receive in 2011-12?
- d. How many requests were denied and how many have been granted?
- e. Did the department/agency fail to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many? Do any of these requests remain outstanding?
- f. What is the total cost to the department/agency to process FOI requests for this financial year to date?
- g. How many FOI requests has the department/agency received for this financial year to date? How many requests have been denied and how many have been granted? Has the department/agency failed to meet the processing times outlined in the FOI Act for any requests? If so, how many and why? Do any of these requests remain outstanding? If so, how many and why?

**Answer:**

- a. The ABC has not sought or received advice from any third parties on how to respond to FOI requests. However, advice is routinely sought from the ABC's Legal and Business Affairs Division.
- b. The ABC does not maintain records relating to the total cost which can be attributed to processing FOI requests. The ABC's Annual Statistical Returns which are submitted to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner contain some information regarding the estimated staff hours spent on FOI matters, and the non-staff costs directly attributable to FOI. This information relates primarily to training.
- c. Between 1 July 2011 and 30 June 2012 the ABC received 23 requests for access to documents under the FOI Act.
- d. Of the 23 requests:
  - 4 were granted in full;
  - 2 was granted in part;
  - 13 were refused;
  - 1 was dealt with outside of the FOI process;
  - 2 were withdrawn;
  - 1 is pending.

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- e. Of the 20 requests which required a response (that is, excluding the withdrawn and pending requests), 13 requests were completed within the applicable statutory time period, 6 were completed within 30 calendar days after the applicable statutory time period, and 1 was completed more than 30 days after the applicable statutory time period as delays were experienced identifying and locating relevant documents. There are no requests outstanding.
- f. The ABC does not maintain records relating to the total cost which can be attributed to processing FOI requests. The ABC's Annual Statistical Returns which are submitted to the Office of the Australian Information Commissioner contain some information regarding the estimated staff hours spent on FOI matters, and the non-staff costs directly attributable to FOI. This information relates primarily to training.
- g. Between 1 July 2012 and 31 October 2012 the ABC received 8 requests for access to documents under the FOI Act. Of the 8 requests:
- 1 was granted in full;
  - 1 was granted in part;
  - 4 were refused;
  - 1 was dealt with outside of the FOI process;
  - 1 was withdrawn.

Of the 6 requests which required a response (that is, excluding the withdrawn and pending requests), 3 requests were completed within the applicable statutory time period, and 3 were completed within 30 calendar days after the applicable statutory time period as delays were experienced identifying and locating relevant documents. There are no requests outstanding.

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**Question No: 176**

**Program No. ABC**  
**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Consultancies**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How many consultancies have been undertaken this financial year to date? Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Please also include total value for all consultancies.
2. How many consultancies are planned for this calendar year? Have these been published in your Annual Procurement Plan (APP) on the AusTender website and, if not, why not? In each case please identify the subject matter, duration, cost and method of procurement, as above, and the name of the consultant if known.
3. How many consultancies were undertaken in 2011-12? Please identify the name of the consultant, the subject matter of the consultancy, the duration and cost of the arrangement, and the method of procurement (i.e. open tender, direct source, etc). Please also include total value for all consultancies.

**Answer:**

**Question 1**

For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 October 2012 the ABC spent \$1,178,951 on consultancies, broken down as follows (payments to consultants includes amounts paid and payable as at 31 October 2012):

<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Purpose of Consultancy</b>	<b>Total \$</b>
<b>Below \$10,000</b>		
Various	Various	55,133
<b>Sub total</b>		<u><b>55,133</b></u>
 <b>\$10,000-\$50,000</b>		
The Collective Group Pty Limited	Technical advice	11,520
Bendelta Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	12,135
Radio New Zealand Limited	Technical advice	12,795
Invisible Hand Consulting Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	14,264
Morton Davies Consulting Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	17,500
Kyte, Stephen	Technical advice	17,542
Professional Financial Consulting P/L	Technical advice	25,667
Formative Pty Ltd	Strategic review	30,000
Konica Minolta Business Solutions Australia Pty Ltd	Strategic review	33,450
 <b>Sub total</b>		 <u><b>174,873</b></u>

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**Above \$50,000**

Graham, Peter	Strategic advice	51,000
The trustee for Deloitte Access Economics Trust	Strategic advice	62,920
The Boston Consulting Group	Strategic advice	99,000
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Finance, tax and other advisory services	213,908
IT Newcom Pty Limited	Strategic advice	222,400
Venture Consulting Pty Limited	Strategic advice	299,717

**Sub total** **948,945**

**Grand total** **1,178,951**

It is not practical to determine the duration of the above consultancies. The ABC's procurement policy, which complies with Commonwealth Procurement Guidelines, was applied to the above consultancies.

**Question 2**

The ABC's Annual Procurement Plan reflects known procurement projects at the time the plan is updated. The ABC has been advised by AusTender that it is no longer required to publish this plan on the AusTender website. The procurement process for any future projects will follow the ABC's procurement policy and will be in accordance with the process outlined in the answer to Question 1, above.

It is not appropriate to detail significant consultancies in advance.

**Question 3**

For the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012 the ABC spent \$3,756,222 on consultancies, broken down as follows (payments to consultants includes amounts paid and payable as at 30 June 2012):

<b>Consultant</b>	<b>Purpose of Consultancy</b>	<b>Total \$</b>
<b>Below \$10,000</b>		
Various	Various	117,340
<b>Sub total</b>		<u><b>117,340</b></u>
<b>\$10,000-\$50,000</b>		
Risk And Injury Management Services Pty Ltd	Risk assessment and analysis	12,000
Australian Catholic University Limited	Technical advice	12,250
Bendelta Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	12,902
E-Secure Pty Ltd	Information technology services	13,250
KPMG	Finance, tax and other advisory services	13,648

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CRS Australia	Risk assessment and analysis	15,056
Professional Financial Consulting Pty Ltd	Technical advice	16,500
Kerry Blackburn	Technical advice	19,690
M-Squared Media Pty Ltd	Technical advice	20,000
Dynamiq Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	22,500
Ernst & Young	Finance, tax and other advisory services	26,016
Hewlett-Packard Australia Pty Ltd	Information technology services	30,000
CB Richard Ellis Limited	Property advice and services	33,190
Frazer Walker Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	36,000
Environmental Resources Management Australia Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	36,300
Deloitte Access Economics Trust	Strategic advice	38,000
Noel Bell Ridley Smith & Partners Pty Ltd	Heritage management plans	38,035
Invisible Hand Consulting Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	38,040
Peter Graham	Strategic advice	42,000
Tracey Brunstrom & Hammond Pty Ltd	Business effectiveness review	46,434
John McCarthy	Strategic advice	50,000
<b>Sub total</b>		<b><u>571,811</u></b>
<b>Above \$50,000</b>		
McGees Property (NSW) Pty Ltd	Property valuation services	54,450
BDO (NSW-VIC) Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	68,300
PricewaterhouseCoopers	Finance, tax and other advisory services	72,800
Risk Logic Pty Ltd	Strategic review	75,673
IT Newcom Pty Limited	Strategic advice	82,560
Radio New Zealand Limited	Technical advice	93,816
The Departure Gate Pty Ltd	Strategic advice	145,273
Venture Consulting Pty Limited	Strategic advice	300,515
InterMedia UK	Strategic advice	399,747
Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu	Finance, tax and other advisory services	427,159
L.E.K. Consulting	Strategic advice and review	1,346,778
<b>Sub total</b>		<b><u>3,067,071</u></b>
<b>Grand total</b>		<b><u><u>3,756,222</u></u></b>



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**Question No: 177**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media Monitoring**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What was the total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etc provided to the department/agency for this financial year to date?
  - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - b. What is the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2012-13?
  - c. What has been spent providing these services this financial year to date?

**Answer:**

1. For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 October 2012 the total cost of media monitoring, transcripts and press clipping services for the ABC was \$67,000.
  - a. These services were provided to the ABC by Media Monitors.
  - b. The budget to provide these services to the ABC for financial year 2012–13 is \$180,000.
  - c. For the period 1 July 2012 to 31 October 2012, the amount spent on the cost of media monitoring, transcripts and press clipping services for the ABC was \$67,000.

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**Question No: 178**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media Monitoring**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What was the actual total cost of media monitoring services, including press clippings, electronic media transcripts etc provided to the department/agency for 2011-12?
  - a. Which agency or agencies provided these services?
  - b. What was the estimated budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12?

**Answer:**

1. For the 2011-12 financial year, the total cost of media monitoring, transcripts and press clipping services for the ABC was \$190,000.
  - a. These services were provided to the ABC by Media Monitors.
  - b. The budget to provide these services for the year 2011-12 was \$175,000.

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**Question No: 179**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Social Media**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Have there been any changes since May 2012 Budget Estimates to department/ agency social media or protocols about staff access and usage of YouTube, online social media such as Facebook, MySpace and Twitter and access to online discussion forums and blogs? If yes, please explain and provide copies of any advice that has been issued.
2. Does the department/agency monitor usage of social media?
  - a) If yes, provide details of the usage (for example, details could include average hours per employee, hours when usage peaks)
  - b) If no, will the department/agency monitor usage in the future?
3. Does social media impact on employee productivity? Please provide details (details could include increased internet usage in general or increased internet usage in standard business hours)

**Answer:**

1. No.
2. The ABC logs employee internet usage, including the use of social media sites. The ABC monitors time spent on a site, how much bandwidth was used, the name of employee viewing the site and the length of time spent viewing the site.
3. As a media organisation, the ABC has been at the forefront of utilising social media to enhance the delivery of its services. Social media is being utilised in innovative ways to interact with and build audiences, gather feedback, research and keep abreast of industry trends and as a new platform for the delivery of ABC content.

The ABC has over 150 official facebook pages covering ABC programs and content areas such as triple j, triple j unearthed, ABC News, ABC TV, ABC Radio National, ABC Technology and Games, Radio National Drive, ABC Local Radio stations and ABC iview. The ABC has over 200 official twitter accounts.

Social media usage within the Corporation is therefore quite pervasive and, in the majority of cases, an accepted work tool. Employees are required to adhere to the ABC's Use of Social Media Policy, which sets out four key principles to guide employees in the appropriate use of social media accounts.

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**Question No: 180**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Internet**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

Has the department/agency experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?

**Answer:**

The ABC has experienced five internet browsing problems since the May 2012 Budget Estimates that have caused brief internet outages for ABC staff. As the ABC does not provide internet services to the Minister there was no impact on the Minister's office.

The problems are summarised in the following table:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Cause</b>
July	20 minutes	Internal technical issues
22 August	10 minutes	ISP outage
31 August	60 minutes	ISP outage
6 September	10 minutes	Internal technical issues
19 September	20 minutes	Routing issues with ISP network

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**Question No: 181**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Staff amenities**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

What amenities are provided to staff? Please provide a list.

**Answer:**

The ABC provides a range of amenities at its various offices, studios and bureaux of the kind which are commonly found in workplaces, the range of amenities varies between the size and location of the workplace but includes such amenities as:

- Shower and change facilities
- Secure bike parking
- Kitchens
- Vending machines
- On-site cafes
- Emergency/sick rooms
- Parking
- Childcare
- Accessibility features (such as accessible toilet facilities, places of safety for people with disabilities during emergencies/evacuations, assisted listening systems and raised tactile and Braille signage).

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**Question No: 182**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Coffee Machines**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Has the department/agency purchased coffee machines for staff usage? If yes, please provide a list that includes the type of coffee machine, the cost, the amount, and any ongoing costs such as purchase of coffee or coffee pods and when the machine was purchased.
2. Why were coffee machines purchased?
3. Where did the funding for the coffee machines come from?
4. Who is responsible for the maintenance of the coffee machines? How much was spent on maintenance in 2011-12 and how much this financial year to date? Please include a list of what maintenance has been undertaken. Where does the funding for maintenance come from?

**Answer:**

1. The ABC does not keep central records detailing the purchase of coffee machines and coffee or coffee pods.
2. N/A.
3. N/A.
4. N/A.

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**Question No: 183**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Contractors for this Financial Year**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

For this financial year to date:

- a. 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).
- b. 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).
- c. 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).
- d. 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).
- e. 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).
- f. 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).
- g. 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).
- h. 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).
- i. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
- j. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

**Answer:**

For this financial year to date:

- a. The ABC has not employed Hawker Britton in any capacity nor is it considering employing Hawker Britton.
- b. The ABC has not employed Shannon's Way in any capacity nor is it considering employing Shannon's Way.

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- c. The ABC has not employed John Utting & UMR Research Group in any capacity nor is it considering employing John Utting & UMR Research Group.
- d. The ABC has not employed McCann-Erickson in any capacity nor is it considering employing McCann-Erickson.
- e. The ABC has not employed Cutting Edge in any capacity nor is it considering employing Cutting Edge.
- f. The ABC employed Ikon Communications for outdoor and print promotions for ABC TV totalling \$191,385.
- g. The ABC has not employed CMAX Communications in any capacity nor is it considering employing CMAX Communications.
- h. The ABC employed Boston Consulting Group to provide services in relation to the management of two projects totalling \$217,800.
- i. The ABC has not employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity nor is it considering employing McKinsey & Company.
- j. It is not feasible to provide a list of contractors used by the ABC during the year, along with a description and cost. The nature of content creation and delivery is such that it is inevitable that contractors will be used, for example to provide services on a 'run of show' basis.



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**Question No: 184**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Contractors for 2011–12**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. For 2011-12:
  - a. 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).
  - b. 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).
  - c. 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).
  - d. 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).
  - e. 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).
  - f. 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).
  - g. 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).
  - h. 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).
  - i. Has the department/agency ever employed McKinsey & Company in any capacity or is it considering employing McKinsey & Company? If yes, provide details.
  - j. What contractors have been employed by the department/agency? If yes, provide details (including the work undertaken and the cost).

**Answer:**

For 2011–12:

- a. No.
- b. No.
- c. No.
- d. No.

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- e. The ABC employed Cutting Edge for services related to the hire of broadcast equipment totalling \$1,045 in August 2011. The ABC from time to time engages Cutting Edge for the use of their equipment hire services, and may do so in the future. Expenditure is not expected to be significant.
- f. The ABC employed Ikon Communications for ABC TV promotions totalling \$38,734.
- g. No.
- h. No.
- i. No.
- j. It is not feasible to provide a list of contractors used by the ABC during the year, along with a description and cost. The nature of content creation and delivery is such that it is inevitable that contractors will be used, for example to provide services on a 'run of show' basis.

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**Question No: 185**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Grants**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Please provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for this financial year to date. Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.
2. Have all grant agreement details been published on the department/agency's website within the required timeframe? If not, please provide details.
3. Please provide a list of all grants, including ad hoc and one-off grants for 2011-12. Please provide details of the recipients, the amount, the intended use of the grants and what locations have benefited from the grants.
4. Were all grant agreement details published on the department/agency's website within the required timeframe? If not, please provide details.

**Answer:**

Not applicable.

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**Question No: 186**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Government Payment of Accounts for this Financial Year**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. For this financial year to date, has the department/agency paid its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?
  - a. If not, why not? Please provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached.
  - b. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is interest being paid on overdue amounts and, if so, how much has been paid by the department/agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?
  - c. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?

**Answer:**

1. The ABC's standard payment terms are 30 days Commercial as stated on the ABC internet site under the section "Doing business with the ABC". 30 Days Commercial means 30 days after the end of the month the tax invoice was rendered. An exception to this is payments to businesses that meet the Government's definition of a "small business" in *Finance Circular 2008/10 "Procurement 30 Day Payment Policy for Small Business"*, which are paid 30 days after the date the tax invoice is rendered. A "small business" is defined as having less than 20 full time equivalent employees.

Between 1 July 2012 and 8 November 2012 (inclusive) the ABC made 759 payments to consultants and contractors amounting to \$18.3m, of which 567 transactions (75%) totalling \$14.8m (81%) were paid on or before the due date.

- a. Those invoices not paid by the due date were most likely paid late because the invoice was in dispute or because the supplier had not provided sufficient details to facilitate the payment by the due date (ABN, bank account details etc).
- b. The ABC does not pay interest on overdue invoices unless a tax invoice for the interest is received from a supplier. It is extremely rare for interest to be charged by a supplier as the reason for deferred payment is typically due to a mutual understanding (ie disputed charges etc). Interest paid on overdue invoices YTD is insignificant.

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In very rare circumstances, an invoice may be received by a business unit and there may be a time lag between it being received and it being sent to accounts payable for processing. This is rare and the ABC's Shared Services department functions very efficiently.

- c. Interest would theoretically be calculated in accordance with section 8AAD of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* and would be based on the relevant daily general interest charge rate quoted for the relevant day. However, as stated above, the ABC rarely is charged interest by its suppliers. An example of how interest is to be calculated is provided in *Finance Circular 2008/10*.

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**Question No: 187**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Government Payment of Accounts for 2011-12**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. For 2011-12, did the department/agency pay its accounts to contractors/consultants etc in accordance with Government policy in terms of time for payment (i.e. within 30 days)?
  - a. If not, why not? Please provide details, including what has been the timeframe for payment of accounts? Please provide a breakdown, average statistics etc as appropriate to give insight into how this issue is being approached.
  - b. For accounts not paid within 30 days, is/was interest being paid on overdue amounts and, if so, how much has been paid by the department/agency for the current financial year and the previous financial year?
  - c. Where interest is being paid, what rate of interest is being paid and how is this rate determined?
  - d. Have all accounts from 2011-12 been paid? If not, why not?

**Answer:**

1. Please refer to part (a) of the answer to Question on Notice 86 from the May 2012 Additional Budget Estimates hearings. That response covered the period from 1 July 2011 to 15 June 2012 and the statistics for the remaining 15 days of that financial year do not materially affect that answer.
  - a. Those invoices not paid by the due date were most likely paid late because the invoice was in dispute or because the supplier had not provided sufficient details to facilitate the payment by the due date (ABN, bank account details etc).
  - b. The ABC does not pay interest on overdue invoices unless a tax invoice for the interest is received from a supplier. It is extremely rare for interest to be charged by a supplier as the reason for deferred payment is typically due to a mutual understanding (ie disputed charges etc). Interest paid on overdue invoices YTD is insignificant. In very rare circumstances, an invoice may be received by a business unit and there may be a time lag between it being received and it being sent to accounts payable for processing. This is rare and the ABC's Shared Services department functions very efficiently.
  - c. Interest would theoretically be calculated in accordance with section 8AAD of the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* and would be based on the relevant daily general interest charge rate quoted for the relevant day. However, as stated above, the ABC rarely is charged interest by its suppliers. An example of how interest is to be calculated is provided in *Finance Circular 2008/10*.
  - d. Some invoices relating to 2011/12 still remain unpaid as they are either in dispute, or the supplier has not provided the ABC with sufficient details to facilitate the payment by the due date (ABN, bank account details etc).

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**Question No: 188**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Stationery Requirements**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What are the department/agency's stationery costs for the financial year to date?
2. What were the department/agency's stationery costs for 2011-12?

**Answer:**

1. The ABC has spent \$351,000 with Complete Office Supplies (COS) for the financial year to 8 November 2012.
2. For the 2011–12 financial year, the ABC spent \$1,037,000 with COS.

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**Question No: 189**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media Subscriptions**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Has there been any change since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) to your pay TV subscription?
  - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels.
  - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?
2. Has there been any change since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) to your newspaper subscriptions?
  - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.
  - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?
3. Has there been any change since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) to your magazine subscriptions?
  - a. If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines.
  - b. What is the cost for this financial year to date?
4. What was the 2011-12 cost for:
  - a. TV subscriptions
  - b. Newspaper subscriptions
  - c. Magazine subscriptions

**Answer:**

1. No.
  - a. N/A.
  - b. The year to date expenditure as at 31 October 2012 was \$55,000.
2. No.
  - a. N/A.
  - b. The year to date expenditure as at 31 October 2012 was \$251,000. This includes newspapers and magazines. It is not feasible to split these costs between magazines and newspapers as there are a high volume of low value transactions and most are paid by procurement card.
3. Refer to part 2 of this answer.
4. For 2011-12, expenditure was as follows.
  - a. \$187,000.
  - b. \$794, 000 (includes newspaper and magazine subscriptions).
  - c. As above.



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**Question No: 190**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Travel Costs**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. For the financial year to date, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that includes airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).
2. Are the Government's Lowest Practical Fare travel policy for Domestic Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/10) and Best Fare of the Day for International Air Travel (Finance Circular No. 2009/11) guidelines being followed? How is the department/agency following the advice? How is this monitored? If the guidelines are not being followed, please explain why.
3. Are lounge memberships provided to any employees? If yes, please detail what lounge memberships, to how many employees and their classification, the reason for the provision of lounge membership and the total costs of the lounge memberships.
4. When SES employees travel, do any support or administrative staff (such as an Executive Assistant) travel with them? If yes, provide details of why such a staff member is needed and the costs of the support staff travel.
5. For 2011-12, please detail all travel for Departmental officers. Please include a total cost plus a breakdown that includes airfares (and type of airfare), accommodation, meals and other travel expenses (such as incidentals).

**Answer:**

1. The ABC spent a total of \$6.7 million on travel for the period 1 July 2012 to 31 October 2012. Domestic travel spend was \$4 million and international travel spend was \$2.7 million gross (including excess baggage).

Details of expenditure by Division, domestic, international airfares, accommodation, allowances and excess baggage is shown below.

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Description	Period 4 YTD Actual 12/13
Airfares - Domestic	1,274,919
Allowances - Domestic	807,768
Accommodation - Domestic	888,347
Domestic taxis and pva	771,387
Travel Entitlements (9/B/4) under the Enterprise Agreement	56,498
Domestic Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	156,072
<b>Total Domestic Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>4,004,321</b>
Airfares - International	971,920
Allowances - International	1,206,675
International Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	542,404
<b>Total International Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>2,720,999</b>
Excess Baggage	23,540
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>23,540</b>
<b>Total ABC Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>6,748,860</b>

2. While the ABC as a *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* agency is exempt from following these guidelines, the ABC's Travel Policy provides that inflexible tickets should be booked for all outbound journeys. The ABC also aims to book inflexible airline tickets for at least 50% of all inbound journeys.
  
3. There are currently 177 active Qantas Club members at the ABC, although the ABC is only required by Qantas to pay for its 120 Bronze/Silver status members. Membership of higher orders are complimentary and provided by Qantas.

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<b>Membership Classification</b>	<b>No. of members</b>
<b>Bronze</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Silver</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Gold</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Platinum</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Chairman's Lounge</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>175</b>

Lounge membership is provided for frequent travellers and is at the discretion of the Divisional Director.

The cost is \$300 per year. For new members there is a one-off joining fee of \$230.

4. It is not ABC Policy for ABC Executives to travel with administrative staff.
5. The ABC spent a total of \$19 million on travel for the period 2011–12 financial year. Domestic travel spend was \$14.1 million and international travel spend was \$4.9 million gross (including excess baggage).

Details of expenditure by Division, domestic, international airfares, accommodation, allowances and excess baggage follows.

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<b>Description</b>	<b>Total Actual 11/12</b>
Airfares - Domestic	4,550,388
Allowances - Domestic	2,561,977
Accommodation - Domestic	3,125,514
Domestic taxis and pva	2,838,051
Travel Entitlements (9/B/4) under the Enterprise Agreement	200,762
Domestic Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	617,292
<b>Total Domestic Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>14,136,366</b>
Airfares - International	1,995,889
Allowances - International	2,259,405
International Other (eg train fares and car Hire)	660,651
<b>Total International Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>4,915,945</b>
Excess Baggage	47,252
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>47,252</b>
<b>Total ABC Travel Expenditure</b>	<b>19,099,563</b>

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**Question No: 191**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Legal Costs**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
2. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
3. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
4. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for 2011-12 from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
5. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services for this financial year to date within the department/agency? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
6. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from the Australian Government Solicitor? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
7. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from private firms? Please provide a list of each service and costs.
8. What sum did each portfolio department and agency spend on legal services this financial year to date from other sources? Please provide a list of each service and costs.

**Answer:**

1. The ABC bills for the provision of legal services provided by its internal legal division. Overall, in 2011- 12, the ABC spent a total of \$6.6 million on internal legal services and external legal advice. This related to mainly employment law, commercial law, media law and property law. The split of costs is as follows:

Internal legal department	\$4.7 million
External legal advice from private firms	\$1.4 million
Other Legal services	<u>\$0.5 million</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6.6 million</b>

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2. Nil.

3. The ABC spent \$1.4 million on specialist legal advice from private firms for 2011–12:

- Employment law \$0.2 million
- Commercial law \$0.5 million
- Media law \$0.3 million
- Property law \$0.4 million

4. The ABC spent \$0.5 million on legal services from other sources for 2011–12 relating to advice and/or court representation in relation to defamation, copyright and statutory interpretation.

5. The ABC has spent a total of \$2 million on internal legal services and external legal advice for the financial year to 31 October 2012. This related to mainly employment law, commercial law, media law and property law.

The split of costs is as follows:

Internal legal department	\$1.4 million
External legal advice from private firms	\$0.4 million
Other Legal services	<u>\$0.2 million</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2.0 million</b>

6. Nil.

7. The ABC has spent \$0.4 million on specialist legal advice from private firms for the financial year to 31 October 2012, relating to mainly commercial law (\$0.2 million), media law (\$0.1 million) and property law (\$0.1 million).

8. The ABC has spent \$0.2 million on legal services from other sources for the financial year to 31 October 2012, relating to advice and/or court representation in relation to defamation, copyright and statutory interpretation.

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**Question No: 192**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Education expenses**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Has there been a change since the 2012-13 Budget Estimates (May 2012) to the department/agency's guidelines on study? If yes, please provide details.
2. For this financial year to date, please detail all education expenses (i.e. in-house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Please include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Please also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.
3. For 2011-12, please detail all education expenses (i.e. in-house courses and tertiary studies) for each portfolio department and agency. Please include what type of course, the total cost, cost per participant, the employment classification of each participant, how many participants and the amount of study leave granted to each participant (provide a breakdown for each employment classification). Please also include the reason for the study and how it is beneficial for the department/agency.

**Answer:**

1. No.

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2. The following table details in-house training programs provided for this financial year (to end-September).

<b>Category</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Employees</b>
Broadcast Operations	579.5	12
Broadcasting Technical	436.2	65
Business Skills	447.16	53
Cross Media Production	324	238
Desktop Applications - Audio	99	13
Desktop Applications - Databases	8	2
Editorial Policy	105	90
Equity & Diversity	781.5	230
Finance	289.9	78
Graphic Design	156	21
Human Resources	294.18	153
Information Management (Archives)	131.2	39
Information Technology	114.5	5
Legal	143.1	79
Management	929	83
News Reporting	1494.63	258
OH&S	1694.1	544
PC Skills - MS Office	146.75	26
Radio Production *	3630.38	710
Retail	7	3
Training	527	67
TV & Video Post Production	1195.17	108
TV & Video Production	5347.77	837
Web Production	870.32	324
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>19751.36</b>	<b>4038</b>

\*Includes radio air-checks

Financial data regarding training expenses for the 2011–12 financial year is not readily available. An unreasonable diversion of resources would be required to compile the requested data. Figures regarding study leave are not available. Personal study leave is approved and resourced on a divisional basis and central records are not kept in this regard.



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3. The following information details in-house training for 2011-12.

<b>Category</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Employees</b>
Broadcast Operations	1069	58
Broadcasting Technical	938.77	140
Business Skills	1650.85	275
Cross Media Production	3139.97	1370
Desktop Applications - Audio	403.4	85
Desktop Applications - Databases	417.1	26
Editorial Policy	645.99	515
Equity & Diversity	1880.7	850
Finance	750.85	235
Graphic Design	177.9	19
Human Resources	1159.85	376
Information Management (Archives)	507.15	145
Information Technology	1292	71
Legal	833.7	305
Management	7084.75	495
Marketing	6	6
News Reporting	6361.9	1170
OH&S	5060.93	1582
PC Skills - MS Office	267.95	37
Project Management	659	29
Publishing	16	1
Radio Production*	12389.57	2766
Retail	3429	75
Training	1288.6	132
TV & Video Post Production	5956.35	436
TV & Video Production	15615.52	606
Web Production	4988.6	1256
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>77991.4</b>	<b>13061</b>

\* Includes radio air checks.

Financial data regarding training expenses for the 2011–12 financial year is not readily available. An unreasonable diversion of resources would be required to compile the requested data. Figures regarding study leave are not available. Personal study leave is approved and resourced on a divisional basis and central records are not kept in this regard.

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**Question No: 193**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Executive Coaching and Leadership Training for this financial year to date**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:
  - a. Total spending on these services
  - b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
  - c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The names of all service providers engaged
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1d), please provide:
  - a. The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
  - c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification
  - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - e. The total amount spent on the service
  - f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
  - a. The location used
  - b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

**Answer:**

Please refer to the following table.

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Question	Advanced Media Leadership Series
1. (a) Total spend on Services 1 July 2012 – 1 November 2012	\$9,945
1. (b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification	Staff are selected via the ABC talent management process and have previously identified as high-potential. 16 staff, EL2 and above.
1. (c) The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification	16 staff at EL2 and above.
1. (d) The names of all service providers engaged	Internally developed and led. Externally appointed trainers:  <i>Hemsley Fraser</i> <i>(Alan Barnett)</i>
2. For each service purchased from a provider in 1(d) provide:  (a) name and nature of service (b) whether the service was one on one or group based (c) the number of employees who received the service (d) Total number of hours for all employees (e) Total spent on service (f) description of fees charged	(a) Advanced Media Leadership Series  (b) Group training  (c) 16  (d) 16 hours  (e) \$9,945  (f) Fees charged for 16 hours of facilitation.
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency  (a) location used (b) Number of employees (c) Total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (d) Any costs incurred	(a) Ideas Vault, Fox Studios, Sydney  (b) 16  (c) 16 hours  (d) training venue and catering for 2 days at \$2,945

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**Question No: 194**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Executive Coaching and Leadership Training for 2011-12**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. In relation to executive coaching and/or other leadership training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:
  - a. Total spending on these services
  - b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
  - c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The names of all service providers engaged
  
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1d), please provide:
  - a. The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
  - c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification
  - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - e. The total amount spent on the service
  - f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)
  
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
  - a. The location used
  - b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

**Answer:**

Please refer to the following table.

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<b>Question</b>	<b>Advanced Managers Program</b>	<b>Accelerated Learning Laboratory</b>	<b>Advanced Media Leadership Series</b>	<b>Total</b>
1. (a) Total spend on Services 2011–12	\$25,440	(N.B. No fee charged this period. Services/program paid for reported at previous Estimates hearing.)	\$56,760	\$82,200
1.(b) The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification	Staff are selected to attend by their Divisional managers. The course is open to experienced Managers. (EL1 and above)	Staff are selected via the ABC talent management process and have been previously identified as high-potential staff. (EL2 and above)	Staff are selected via the ABC talent management process and have previously identified as high-potential. (EL2 and above)	52
1.(c) The number of employees who have utilised these services and their employment classification	22	14	16	
1.(d) The names of all service providers engaged	Internally developed and led. Externally appointed trainers: <i>P Nesbitt</i> <i>H Armstrong</i> <i>M Neave</i> <i>Y Vignado</i> <i>P Ivanoff</i> <i>D Woolfson</i>	Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM) / University of New South Wales	Internally developed and led. Externally appointed trainers:  <i>Learning Factor</i> <i>(Dr Y Sum)</i>  <i>Nous Group</i> <i>(Ian Lees)</i>	
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under 1(d) provide:  (a) name and nature of service (b) whether the service was one on one or group based (c) the number of employees who received the service (d) Total number of hours for all employees (e) Total spent on service (f) description of fees charged	Each of the trainers listed in 1(d) above provided group training to 22 participants.  Each participant attended a total of 24 hours training during the period.  Detailed information regarding the costs of and fees for the service are commercial in confidence. Refer to answer to part 1(a) for total cost.	Facilitation of training and assessments was provided to all 14 participants on a group basis.  During the period each participant attended 24 hours of training, provided by AGSM.  See answer to part 1(a) above regarding fees charged in 2011–12.  Fees are charged on a per package basis.	Provider: Learning Factor – Total of 4 days facilitation was provided to all 16 participants.  Provider: Nous Group – Total of 3 days facilitation provided to all 16 participants.  Each participant attended 72 hours of training on a group basis.  2 days ABC internal facilitation – nil cost	52 participants  2016 hours (256 hours internally provided at nil cost)

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			<p>7 days externally provided facilitation</p> <p>Detailed information regarding the costs of and fees for the service are commercial in confidence. Refer to answer to part 1(a) for total cost.</p>	
<p>3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency</p> <p>(a) location used (b) Number of employees (c) Total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (d) Any costs incurred to use the location</p>	<p>Training Room, Mercure Hotel, Sydney (including catering and accommodation) – 3 days</p> <p>Refer the answer to part 1(c) for number of employees.</p> <p>\$6,258.74</p>	<p>University of New South Wales (AGSM) - 3 days</p> <p>Refer the answer to part 1(c) for number of employees.</p> <p>\$6216.00</p>	<p>UNSW CBD Campus (Training venue and catering – 3 days) \$4,104.25</p> <p>Ideas Vault, Fox Studios (Training venue and catering – 2 days) \$3,620.00</p> <p>Sydney Conference and Training Centre – 4 days (Training venue, accommodation and catering) \$23,038</p> <p>Refer the answer to part 1(c) for number of employees.</p>	<p>52 employees</p> <p>120 total hours</p> <p>Total spend on external locations: \$43,236</p> <p>(includes total 7 days residential accommodation)</p>

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**Question No: 195**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media Training for this Financial Year**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for this financial year to date:
  - a. Total spending on these services
  - b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
  - c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The names of all service providers engaged
  
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1d), please provide:
  - a. The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
  - c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - e. The total amount spent on the service
  - f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)
  
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
  - a. The location used
  - b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion
  - c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

**Answer:**

The ABC has not purchased any media training in the financial year to date.

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**Question No: 196**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media Training for 2011-12**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. In relation to media training services purchased by each department/agency, please provide the following information for 2011-12:
  - a. Total spending on these services
  - b. The number of employees offered these services and their employment classification
  - c. The number of employees who have utilised these services, their employment classification and how much study leave each employee was granted (please provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The names of all service providers engaged
  
2. For each service purchased from a provider listed under (1d), please provide:
  - a. The name and nature of the service purchased
  - b. Whether the service is one-on-one or group based
  - c. The number of employees who received the service and their employment classification (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. The total number of hours involved for all employees (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - e. The total amount spent on the service
  - f. A description of the fees charged (i.e. per hour, complete package)
  
3. Where a service was provided at any location other than the department or agency's own premises, please provide:
  - a. The location used
  - b. The number of employees who took part on each occasion
  - c. The total number of hours involved for all employees who took part (provide a breakdown for each employment classification)
  - d. Any costs the department or agency's incurred to use the location

**Answer:**

The ABC did not purchase media training services in 2011-12.



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**Question No: 197**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Paid Parental Leave**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Please list how many staff in each portfolio department and agency are eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme?
2. For this financial year to date please list which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.
3. For 2011-12 to date which department/agency is providing its employees with payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave scheme? Please list how many staff and their classification are in receipt of these payments.

**Answer:**

1. Any ABC employee who meets the criteria is eligible to receive payments under the Government's Paid Parental Leave (PPL) Scheme. Eligibility for PPL is determined by the Family Assistance Office/Centrelink.
2. For the financial year to 31 October 2012, 63 employees received payment under the PPL scheme with one classified as Senior Executive, 36 classified as Content Makers, 23 classified as Administrative/Professional, two classified as Technologists and one classified as a Manager - Retail.
3. In 2011-12, 69 employees received payment under the PPL scheme with five classified as Senior Executives, 42 classified as Content Makers, 20 classified as Administrative/Professional and two classified as Technologists.

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**Question No: 198**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Corporate Cars**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012):
  - a. How 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 for this financial year to date?
  - e. How far did each car travel this financial year to date?
  
2. For 2011-12:
  - a. How cars are owned by each department/agency?
  - b. Where is the car/s located?
  - c. What is the car/s used for?
  - d. What was the cost of each car?
  - e. How far did each car travel?

**Answer**

1.
  - a. As at 31 October 2012, the ABC owned 61 vehicles.
  - b. Refer to following table.
  - c. Seven vehicles are used by ABC Radio, 51 vehicles are used by ABC Resources, one vehicle is used by ABC Technology, one vehicle is used by ABC Marketing and one vehicle is used by ABC Communications Networks.
  - d. Refer to following table. Trailers are omitted as they do not have an odometer.
  - e. Refer to following table. Trailers are omitted as they do not have an odometer.
  
2.
  - a. As at 30 June 2012, the ABC owned 62 vehicles.
  - b. Refer to following table.
  - c. Seven vehicles are used by ABC Radio, 51 vehicles are used by ABC Resources, one vehicle is used by ABC Technology, one vehicle is used by ABC Marketing and one vehicle is used by ABC Communications Networks.
  - d. Refer to following table. Trailers are omitted as they do not have an odometer.
  - e. Refer to following table. Trailers are omitted as they do not have an odometer.

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<b>Rego</b>	<b>Travelled 1.07.2011- 30.06.2012</b>	<b>Cost FYTD 1.07.2011- 30.06.2012</b>	<b>Travelled FYTD 1.07.2012- 31.10.2012</b>	<b>Cost FYTD 1.07.2012- 31.10.2012</b>	<b>Location</b>
1AMT345	603	308.00	176	210.00	WA
1AMT346	34,729	3,899.00	799	4,099.00	WA
1AMT347	3,465	972.00	801	1,054.00	WA
1AMT348	1,760	955.00	439	931.00	WA
1AYN172	5,352	2,203.00	998	279.00	WA
1CTH025	600	1,204.00	104	752.00	WA
1DIV703	5,126	1,851.00	1,928	1,062.00	WA
ABC309	168	901.00	74	402.00	NSW
ABC310	73	1,203.00	0	56.00	NSW
ABC311	15,674	9,023.00	581	487.00	NSW
ZYA159	2,159	839.00	568	4,344.00	ACT
996905	110	210.00	0	5.00	NT
105783	1,956	-	354	146.00	VIC
TDS996	21,933	7,709.00	7,175	9,480.00	SA
WHK720	838	2,070.00	369	1,673.00	SA
WHK721	1,237	2,806.00	519	1,501.00	SA
WHK807	646	1,972.00	197	1,518.00	SA
WHK808	1,742	1,795.00	835	1,408.00	SA
XKS395	2,361	2,204.00	644	2,246.00	NT
ABC2	421	1,595.00	89	1,285.00	NSW
ABC202	2,311	687.00	2,394	957.00	VIC
NPA344	15,888	4,392.00	8,465	3,064.00	VIC
NPA346	3,304	5,310.00	1,129	2,252.00	VIC
NPA349	182	10,650.00	567	2,444.00	VIC
NPA376	152	1,295.00	0	1,100.00	VIC
OPT230	3,551	3,990.00	945	1,356.00	VIC
POJ112	1,200	839.00	919	256.00	VIC
QVW118	980	895.00	152	755.00	WA
1AZB106	2,765	1,571.00	400	982.00	SA
WHK805	2,660	1,390.00	1,497	1,581.00	QLD
700FYK	4,803	5,360.00	31	2,503.00	NSW
ABC102	1,632	2,105.00	463	2,112.00	NSW
ABC322	3,232	2,286.00	868	1,524.00	NSW
BST77V	26,731	6,204.00	21,532	4,675.00	NT
666896	0	170.00	0	0.00	QLD
552LRK	7,564	1,524.00	436	340.00	QLD
594FET	11,807	5,510.00	3,395	1,748.00	QLD
652FET	2,156	1,770.00	3,373	1,338.00	QLD
913MSG	1,817	1,015.00	515	101.00	NSW
ABC315	3,112	1,876.00	617	1,026.00	VIC
OB1ABC	8,652	5,605.00	4,441	1,308.00	NT
996897	1,100	1,285.00	434	786.00	NSW
ABC201	4,438	4,925.00	1,955	1,695.00	TAS

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ABC001	<b>1,558</b>	1,775.00	<b>0</b>	2,239.00	TAS
ABC003	<b>563</b>	410.00	<b>0</b>	758.00	TAS
ABC004	<b>972</b>	378.00	<b>603</b>	1,876.00	TAS
ABC009	<b>665</b>	1,071.00	<b>179</b>	60.00	WA
1AYN904	<b>5,318</b>	1,259.00	<b>1,315</b>	486.00	NT
BP73YP	<b>1,043</b>	450.00	<b>5,590</b>	90.00	NT
1DTV605	<b>20</b>	0.00	<b>955</b>	120.00	WA
WWX322	N/A		<b>851</b>	1,903.00	NSW
ZBP022	N/A		<b>1,429</b>	246.00	VIC
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>221,129</b>	<b>119,716.00</b>	<b>82,100</b>	<b>74,619.00</b>	

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**Question No: 199**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Taxi Costs**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis this financial year to date? Please provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?
3. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.
4. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

**Answer:**

1. The ABC does not record expenditure on taxis as a separate line item. Any amounts paid to an employee for the use of the employee's private vehicle are also included in the general ledger account. The amounts reimbursed for the use of an employee's private vehicle are minimal. Gross expenditure on taxis and reimbursements for the use of private vehicles for the financial year to 31 October 2012 was \$0.771 million. Divisional breakdown of expenditure on taxis and reimbursements for the use of employees' private vehicle is shown in the following table.

<b>By Division</b>	<b>1 July to 31 Oct 2012 \$A(k)</b>
ABC Commercial	26
ABC Resources	46
Business Services/COO/Board/MD	30
Capital Works	9
ABC International	15
Corporate Affairs	19
Corporate Wide Initiatives	2
Editorial Policies	4
Innovation	6
Legal	4
News	307
People & Learning	5
Radio & Regional Content	148
Technology	28
Communication Networks	4
Television	113
Research & Marketing	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>771</b>

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2. Reasons for expenditure on taxi services include:
- a) Travel to and from the airport where the employee is travelling on approved ABC business;
  - b) Travel to and from meetings where the employee is representing the ABC;
  - c) Complying with WH&S requirements;
  - d) Emergency situation or where extenuating circumstances apply and the use of a taxi has been approved by the relevant manager; and
  - e) Circumstances specified in the various employment agreements.

All expenditure on taxi services must comply with the ABC's Taxi Policy.

3. Gross expenditure on taxis and reimbursements for the use of private vehicles for 2011–12 was \$2.838 million.

Divisional breakdown of expenditure on taxis and reimbursements for the use of employees' private vehicle, for the 2011–12 financial year, is as per the following table.

<b>By Division</b>	<b>2011/2012 \$A(k)</b>
ABC Commercial	98
ABC Resources	138
Business Services/COO/Board/MD	118
Capital Works	78
ABC International	58
Corporate Affairs	32
Corporate Wide Initiatives	24
Editorial Policies	11
Innovation	30
Legal	11
News	1,036
People & Learning	44
Radio & Regional Content	566
Technology	88
Communication Networks	16
Television	484
Research & Marketing	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,838</b>

4. Refer to the answer to question 2, above.

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**Question No: 200**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Credit Cards**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Please provide a breakdown for each employment classification that has a corporate credit card.
2. Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2012-13 (May 2012):
  - a. What action is taken if the corporate credit card is misused?
  - b. How is corporate credit card use monitored?
  - c. What happens if misuse of a corporate credit card is discovered?
  - d. Have any instances of corporate credit card misuse have been discovered? Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.
  - e. What action is taken to prevent corporate credit card misuse?
3. For 2011-12 how many instances of corporate credit card misuse were there? Please list staff classification and what the misuse was, and the action taken.

**Answer:**

1. 644 staff have an ABC procurement card and 51 staff have corporate American Express cards. These staff comprise:

	<b>Procurement</b>	<b>Amex</b>
Staff Band 2	1	0
Staff Band 3	14	0
Staff Band 4	59	0
Staff Band 5	80	1
Staff Band 6	112	1
Staff Band 7	150	14
Staff Band 8	54	6
Staff Band 9	37	17
<b>Total Staff</b>	<b>507</b>	<b>39</b>
SE Band 1	30	0
SE Band 2	62	2
SE Band 3	25	2
SE Band 4 & AWAs	20	7
<b>Total Exec</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>11</b>
	<b>644</b>	<b>51</b>

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Eligibility for corporate procurement cards is not based on employee classification, rather it is determined based on business need and is governed by the requirement to hold an authorised delegation.

2. There have been no changes since Budget Estimates 2012–13 (May 2012).
3. There have been no cases of credit card misuse investigated by ABC Group Audit (Internal Audit) in 2011-12.



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**Question No: 201**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Provision of Equipment**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Is electronic equipment (such as iPad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, BlackBerry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff for this financial year? If yes, please provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
  
2. If electronic equipment (such as iPad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, BlackBerry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011-12, please provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.

**Answer:**

The following two tables summarise the provision of electronic equipment to ABC staff for respectively this financial year to date and for the 2011–12 financial year.

This equipment includes the replacement of existing, outdated or unsupported equipment and also equipment provided to particular job roles or functions for new usage.

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**2012-13 Financial year to date**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Purchase Value</b>	<b>On-going Cost</b>	<b>Models</b>	<b>Classification of Staff</b>	<b>Reasons</b>
Mobile Phones	165	\$125,947.14	Call charges Most users on 1GB data plan @ \$10/month	Majority are iPhones (119).	Content Makers, Operational staff, and Senior Management	Audio field recording, editing and uploading; out of office and out of hours communication. Content and App development for iOS and Android platform.
Wireless cards	19	\$4,180.77	Data plan from 1GB to 9GB per month.	Telstra 4G USB modems.	Content Makers, Operational staff.	Content uploading for outside broadcast, remote support.
iPad	8	\$6,368.19			Content Makers, Operational staff, and Senior Management	Content and App development for iPad. Access to social media during broadcasts such as election news broadcast. Mobile computing and out of office and out of hours communication.
Laptop	107	\$219,158.09		Windows and Mac	Operational staff, and Senior Management	Mobile computing.
Remote Access Tokens	61	\$3,000			Operational staff, and Senior Management	Remote access to either the ABC internal network or applications.

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**2011–2012 Financial Year**

<b>Category</b>	<b>Qty</b>	<b>Purchase Value</b>	<b>On-going Cost</b>	<b>Models</b>	<b>Classification of Staff</b>	<b>Reasons</b>
Mobile Phones	440	\$343,336.68	Call charges. Most users on 1GB data plan @ \$10/month	Majority are iPhones (343).	Content Makers, Operational staff, and Senior Management	Audio field recording, editing and uploading; out of office and out of hours communication. Content and App development for iOS and Android platform.
Wireless cards	60	\$12,705.27	Data plan from 1GB to 9GB per month.	Telstra 3G or 4G USB modems.	Content Makers, Operational staff.	Content uploading for outside broadcast, out of office support.
iPad	41	\$34,266.77	Users on 1, 3 or 5GB data plan		Content Makers, Operational staff, and Senior Management	Content and App development for iPad. Access to social media during broadcasts such as election news broadcast. Mobile computing and out of office and out of hours communication.
Laptop	317	\$688,738.54		Windows and Mac	Operational staff, and Senior Management	Mobile computing.
Remote Access Tokens	201	\$9,500			Operational staff, and Senior Management	Remote access to either the ABC internal network or applications.

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**Question No: 202**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Electricity Purchasing**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Provide details of any update of the department/agency electricity purchasing agreement if there has been a change since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012).
2. What were the department/agency's actual electricity costs for 2011-12, and what are the budgeted costs for 2012-13?
3. What are the department/agency electricity costs for this financial year to date?

**Answer:**

1. Other than a new 1-year agreement with PowerWater for the ABC's Darwin premises (commencing 1 August 2012 and expiring 31 July 2013), there have been no changes to ABC electricity purchasing agreements since 2011-12.
2. The ABC refers to its response to Question on Notice 151 from Senator Birmingham.
3. The year to date cost is \$2.5 million.

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**Question No: 203**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Briefings for the Australian Greens and Independents**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Have any briefings been provided to the Australian Greens this Financial Year? If yes, please include:
  - a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
  - b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
  - c. Have any briefings requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.
  - d. How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Please provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
  
2. Have any briefings been provided to Independents this Financial Year? If yes, please include:
  - a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
  - b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
  - c. Have any briefings requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.
  - d. How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
  
3. Were any briefings been provided to the Australian Greens in 2011-12? If yes, please include:
  - a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
  - b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
  - c. Have any briefings requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.
  - d. How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.
  
4. Were any briefings been provided to Independents in 2011-12? If yes, please include:
  - a. How are briefings requests commissioned?
  - b. What briefings have been undertaken? Provide details and a copy of each briefing.
  - c. Have any briefings requests been unable to proceed? If yes, provided details of what the briefings were and why it could not proceed.
  - d. How long is spent undertaking briefings for the Australian Greens? How many staff are involved and how many hours? Provide a breakdown for each employment classification.

**Answer:**

No information has been sought or provided outside of the Senate Estimates process.

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**Question No: 204**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Shredders**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. Did the department/agency purchase any shredders in 2011-12? If yes, provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.
2. Has the department/agency purchased any shredders since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012)? If yes, please provide details of how many shredders were purchased, the cost of each shredder, why each new shredder was needed and the purpose for which the shredder is to be used.

**Answer:**

1. The ABC purchased 4 shredders in the financial year 2011–12:

REXEL SHREDDER AUTO+100 CROSS CUT	\$249.00
REXEL RLS32 SHREDMASTER SHREDDER	\$1,613.59
FELLOWES SHREDDER PS70 STRIP CUT	\$199.46
REXEL SHREDDER AUTO+60 CROSS CUT	\$210.53

These shredders were purchased to ensure safe destruction of confidential documents.

2. The ABC has purchased 1 shredder in the financial year to date:

FELLOWES SHREDDER P-48C CROSS CUT	\$180.25
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This shredder was purchased to ensure safe destruction of confidential documents.

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**Question No: 205**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Protective Security Policy Framework**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

Please provide an update for your department/agency, including what is your current compliance level, what are you doing to manage risk, what is being done to comply with the mandatory requirements and details of any department/agency specific policies and procedures.

**Answer:**

As the Protective Security Policy Framework is not set down in legislation, the ABC is not required to comply with this Framework.

The ABC has developed and applies its own Protective Security Policy. The Policy aims to provide a level of security which ensures, through reasonable and acceptable measures, a secure and safe environment for ABC staff, contractors and visitors within ABC properties, and at the same time protects ABC property, assets, information and operations from damage, theft, disruption to services, and unauthorised use.

In implementing the measures necessary to afford appropriate levels of protection, the ABC was guided by the recommendations for commonwealth agencies as listed in the Attorney General's Commonwealth Protective Security Manual (PSM).

The ABC's Protective Security Plan supplements the ABC Protective Security Policy by providing those ABC managers and staff responsible for overseeing security operations at ABC properties with the detailed security measures and procedures to be applied in order to mitigate a potential security risk.

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**Question No: 206**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Office Locations**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

Please provide a list of all office locations for all departments and agencies within the portfolio by:

- a. Department/Agency;
- b. Location;
- c. Leased or Owned;
- d. Size;
- e. Number of Staff at each location and classification;
- f. If rented, the amount and breakdown of rent per square metre;
- g. If owned, the value of the building;
- h. Depreciation of buildings that are owned;
- i. Type of functions and work undertaken.

**Answer:**

Please refer to the attached spreadsheet.



**ABC Office Property Details - 01 November 2012**

Description	Address	Function / Use	Owned Or Leased	Land Area (sqm)	Building Area (sqm)	Total NLA (sqm)	No. Of Staff [FTE]	Land Value \$M [30/06/11]	Buildings & Improvements Value \$M [30/06/11]	Total Property Value \$M [30/06/11]	Annual Depreciation Forecast [Jul 2012 to Jun 2013]	Annual Rent [Excludes GST]	Rent Per Square Metre	Comments
<b>NEW SOUTH WALES</b>														
Ultimo	700 Harris Street	Radio/TV Studio/Orch/Offices	Owned	11,320	75,791	48,923	2066	\$ 46.30	\$ 249.60	\$ 295.90	-\$ 17.34	\$ -		
Lanceley Place	2-8 Lanceley Place	Sound Stage/Offices etc	Owned	13,847	9,000	5,478	39	\$ 12.25	\$ 15.64	\$ 27.89	-\$ 1.85	\$ -		
Bega	1/184-188 Carp Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	251	9			\$ -		\$ 39,316	\$156.64	
Broken Hill	454-456 Argent Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,634	340	306	9	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.72	\$ 0.82	-\$ 0.12	\$ -		
Coffs Harbour	Suite 114, AMP Centre, 24 Gordon Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	94	3			\$ -		\$ 28,256	\$300.60	
Dubbo	1/45 Wingewarra Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	strata	199.5	179.5	7	\$ -	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.69	-\$ 0.17	\$ -		
Gosford	Shop T252 Erina Fair Terrigal Drive	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	71	2			\$ -		\$ 46,076	\$648.95	
Lismore	59-61 High Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	2,219	404	335	10	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.88	\$ 1.22	-\$ 0.13	\$ -		
Muswellbrook	Shop 2/36 Brook Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	58	2			\$ -		\$ 15,905	\$274.23	
Newcastle	Cnr Wood & Parry Streets	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1260	788	602.7	28	\$ 1.05	\$ 1.00	\$ 2.05	-\$ 0.18	\$ -		
Nowra	Suite 2, 64 Bridge Road	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	107	3			\$ -		\$ 33,504	\$313.12	
Orange	46 Bathurst Road	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	646	209	187.7	7	\$ 0.14	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.80	-\$ 0.08	\$ -		
Port Macquarie	51 Lord Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	720.7	284	256	10	\$ 0.43	\$ 0.78	\$ 1.21	-\$ 0.08	\$ -		
Tamworth	468-472 Peel Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	232	8			\$ -		\$ 41,545	\$179.07	
Wagga Wagga	100-104 Fitzmaurice Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,300	330	297	9	\$ 0.52	\$ 0.81	\$ 1.33	-\$ 0.16	\$ -		
Wollongong	13 Victoria Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	636	920	610	12	\$ 0.64	\$ 3.13	\$ 3.77	-\$ 0.17	\$ -		
<b>NSW Sub-Total</b>			<b>16</b>	<b>33,583</b>	<b>88,266</b>	<b>57,988</b>	<b>2,224</b>	<b>\$ 61.77</b>	<b>\$ 273.91</b>	<b>\$ 335.68</b>	<b>-\$ 20.28</b>	<b>\$ 204,602</b>		
<b>AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY</b>														
Canberra - Dickson	Cnr Wakefield & Northbourne Avenues	Radio/TV Studio/Offices	1 (Long Term	15,030	4,065	3,825	162	\$ 2.85	\$ 9.91	\$ 12.76	-\$ 0.92	\$ -		
Canberra - Parl. House	Rooms S2-063/064/072 &113	Radio Studio/Offices	Leased	n/a	n/a	475	Inc above			\$ -		\$ 230,107	\$484.44	
<b>ACT Sub-Total</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>15,030</b>	<b>4,065</b>	<b>4,300</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>\$ 2.85</b>	<b>\$ 9.91</b>	<b>\$ 12.76</b>	<b>-\$ 0.92</b>	<b>\$ 221,638</b>		
<b>QUEENSLAND</b>														
Brisbane - South Bank	114 Grey Street	Radio/TV Studio/Orch/Offices	d (long Term	4,282	14,825	9,978	261	\$ 12.21	\$ 72.07	\$ 84.28	-\$ 2.40	\$ -		
Bundaberg	6/58-62 Woongarra Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	217	9			\$ -		\$ 51,440	\$237.05	
Cairns	157 Sheridan Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	612	313	282	13	\$ 0.47	\$ 0.59	\$ 1.06	-\$ 0.11	\$ -		
Gladstone	43 Tank Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	49	1			\$ -		\$ 13,416	\$273.80	
Gold Coast - Mermaid Beach	33 Francis Street Mermaid Beach	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	809	308	280	11	\$ 1.50	\$ 0.39	\$ 1.89	-\$ 0.07	\$ -		
Gold Coast	Part Suite 3, 2485 Gold Coast Highway	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	48.3	5			\$ -		\$ 32,370	\$670.19	
Longreach	Cnr Duck Street & Crow Lane	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	605	295	243	6	\$ 0.08	\$ 0.11	\$ 0.19	-\$ 0.01	\$ -		
Mackay	25 River Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	195	8			\$ -		\$ 66,150	\$339.23	
Maroochydore	15 Carnaby Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	strata	481	373	11	\$ -	\$ 1.94	\$ 1.94	-\$ 0.17	\$ -		
Mount Isa	114 Camooweal Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,012	408	283	6	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.65	\$ 0.75	-\$ 0.12	\$ -		
Rockhampton	236 Quay Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	809	750	700	13	\$ 0.40	\$ 0.42	\$ 0.82	-\$ 0.02	\$ -		
Toowoomba	297 Margaret Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	strata	481	311	11	\$ -	\$ 0.69	\$ 0.69	-\$ 0.12	\$ -		
Townsville	8 Wickham Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,525	1,181	624	16	\$ 1.07	\$ 1.72	\$ 2.79	-\$ 0.84	\$ -		
<b>QLD Sub-Total</b>			<b>13</b>	<b>9,654</b>	<b>19,042</b>	<b>13,583</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>\$ 15.83</b>	<b>\$ 78.58</b>	<b>\$ 94.41</b>	<b>-\$ 3.86</b>	<b>\$ 160,470</b>		
<b>NORTHERN TERRITORY</b>														
Darwin	18 Bennett Street	Radio/TV Studio/Offices	Owned	2,810	2,476	1,881	112	\$ 8.15	\$ 4.38	\$ 12.53	-\$ 0.68	\$ -		
Darwin	Level 1 Qantas House 16 Bennett Street	Office Accommodation	Leased	n/a	n/a	472	incl above			\$ -		\$ 157,309	\$333.28	
Alice Springs	Cnr Gap Road & Speed Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	978	376	322	8	\$ 0.20	\$ 1.11	\$ 1.31	-\$ 0.17	\$ -		
Katherine	Cnr Lindsay St & Stuart Hwy	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	25	1			\$ -		\$ 8,717	\$348.66	
<b>NT Sub-Total</b>			<b>4</b>	<b>3,788</b>	<b>2,852</b>	<b>2,700</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>\$ 8.35</b>	<b>\$ 5.49</b>	<b>\$ 13.84</b>	<b>-\$ 0.85</b>	<b>\$ 161,298</b>		
<b>VICTORIA</b>														
Southbank	120-130 Southbank Boulevard	Radio/TV/Orch/Offices	Owned	3,905	13,590	11,367	486	\$ 12.70	\$ 27.11	\$ 39.81	-\$ 2.85	\$ -		
Ripponlea	8 Gordon Street, Elsternwick	TV Studio / Offices	Owned	11,741	14,040	11,828	276	\$ 12.90	\$ 1.27	\$ 14.17	-\$ 0.67	\$ -		
Selwyn Street	10-16 Selwyn Street, Elsternwick	Office / Warehouse	Owned	6,166	5,829	5,246	incl above	\$ 7.20	\$ 2.91	\$ 10.11	-\$ 0.35	\$ -		
Ballarat	5 Dawson Street South	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	584	624	522	14	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.99	\$ 1.49	-\$ 0.11	\$ -		
Bendigo	278-282 Napier Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,192	218.2	193.8	8	\$ 0.34	\$ 0.33	\$ 0.67	-\$ 0.05	\$ -		
Horsham	3/148 Baillie Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	116	3			\$ -		\$ 14,255	\$122.89	
Mildura	73-75 Pine Avenue	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	260	6			\$ -		\$ 29,065	\$111.79	
Morwell	20 George Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	83	1			\$ -		\$ 10,400	\$125.30	
Sale	336-340 York Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,772	413	404	9	\$ 0.45	\$ 1.03	\$ 1.48	-\$ 0.08	\$ -		
Shepparton	50A Wyndham Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	238	4			\$ -		\$ 32,036	\$134.61	
Warrnambool	1/166D Koroit Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	85	3			\$ -		\$ 22,200	\$261.18	
Wodonga	1 High Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,213	220	200	7	\$ 0.30	\$ 0.49	\$ 0.79	-\$ 0.06	\$ -		
<b>VIC Sub-Total</b>			<b>12</b>	<b>26,573</b>	<b>34,934</b>	<b>30,543</b>	<b>817</b>	<b>\$ 34.390</b>	<b>\$ 34.130</b>	<b>\$ 68.520</b>	<b>-\$ 4.170</b>	<b>\$ 107,611</b>		
<b>SOUTH AUSTRALIA</b>														
Collinswood	85 Main North East Road	Radio/TV Studio/Offices	Owned	21,200	22,116	19,904	299	\$ 5.08	\$ 21.18	\$ 26.26	-\$ 3.70	\$ -		
Mount Gambier	31 Penola Road	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,016	264	222	8	\$ 0.20	\$ 1.01	\$ 1.21	-\$ 0.08	\$ -		

Port Augusta	Shop 2/6 Church Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	43	2			\$	-		\$	14,920	\$346.98			
Port Lincoln	1st Fl Civic Centre 60 Tasman Terrace	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	175	4			\$	-		\$	42,813	\$244.65			
Port Pirie	85 Grey Terrace (Allot 8)	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	2,396	408	367	8	\$	0.15	\$	1.21	\$	1.36	-\$	0.23	\$	-	
Denmark	8 Ral Ral Avenue	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	298	8			\$	-		\$	33,103	\$111.08			
<b>SA Sub-Total</b>				<b>6</b>	<b>24,612</b>	<b>22,788</b>	<b>21,009</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5.43</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23.40</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28.83</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>4.01</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>93,137</b>

<b>TASMANIA</b>																		
Hobart	1-7 Liverpool Street	Radio/TV Studio/Offices	Owned	17,020	8,429	6,496	141	\$	6.00	\$	8.70	\$	14.70	-\$	1.39	\$	-	
Burnie	81 Mount Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	143	5			\$	-		\$	29,925	\$209.27			
Launceston	45-51 Anne Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	3,928	1,076	978	17	\$	0.70	\$	0.52	\$	1.22	-\$	0.09	\$	-	
<b>TAS Sub-Total</b>				<b>3</b>	<b>20,948</b>	<b>9,505</b>	<b>7,617</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>6.70</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>9.22</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>15.92</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>1.48</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>28,500</b>

<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIA</b>																		
East Perth	Cnr Brown, Fielder & Henry Streets	Radio/TV Studio/Offices	Owned	5,595	12,437	11,340	185	\$	6.43	\$	34.41	\$	40.84	-\$	2.66	\$	-	
Albany	2 St Emille Way	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	546	177	144	7	\$	0.37	\$	0.41	\$	0.78	-\$	0.06	\$	-	
Broome	23 Hamersley Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,185	620	375	9	\$	1.19	\$	3.90	\$	5.09	-\$	0.11	\$	-	
Bunbury	72 Wittenoom Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,034	366	295	12	\$	0.81	\$	0.53	\$	1.34	-\$	0.11	\$	-	
Esperance	80B Windich Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	155	2			\$	-		\$	30,321	\$195.62			
Geraldton	245 Marine Terrace	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,164	296	260	7	\$	0.79	\$	0.36	\$	1.15	-\$	0.03	\$	-	
Kalgoorlie	3/353 Hannan Street	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	207	8			\$	-		\$	72,430	\$349.90			
Karratha	Lot 2627 De Grey Place	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	2,892	300	234	5	\$	1.16	\$	0.92	\$	2.08	-\$	0.15	\$	-	
Kununurra	114B Coolibah Drive	Regional Radio Studio	Leased	n/a	n/a	92	2			\$	-		\$	26,275	\$285.60			
Wagin	58 Tudhoe Street	Regional Radio Studio	Owned	1,012	344	280	0	\$	0.05	\$	0.14	\$	0.19	-\$	0.03	\$	-	
<b>WA Sub-Total</b>				<b>10</b>	<b>13,428</b>	<b>14,540</b>	<b>13,382</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>10.80</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>40.67</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>51.47</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>3.15</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>127,456</b>

<b>Grand Total</b>				<b>151,122</b>	<b>4,424</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>146.12</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>475.31</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>621.43</b>	<b>-\$</b>	<b>38.72</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,104,712.37</b>
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## OVERSEAS BUREAU

Description	Address	Function / Use	Owned Or Leased	Land Area (sqm)	Building Area (sqm)	Total NLA (sqm)	No. Of Staff	Land Value \$M [30/06/12]	Buildings & Improvements Value \$M [30/06/12]	Total Property Value \$M [30/06/12]	Annual Depreciation Forecast [Jul 2012 to Jun 2013]	Annual Rent [Excludes GST]	Rent Per Square Metre	Comments
Auckland New Zealand	c/- TVNZ100 Victoria St West, Auckland	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A		1	\$ -				\$ -		No fees
Bangkok Thailand	518/5 Maneeya Ctre Ploenchit Rd Bangkok	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	122.5	6	\$ -				\$ 25,480.00	\$208.00	
Beijing China	8-122 Qi Jia Yuan Beijing (Main off)	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	167	9	\$ -				\$ 24,963.00	\$149.48	
Beijing China	8-121 Qi Jia Yuan Beijing (Second Off)	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	91		\$ -				\$ 14,264.00	\$156.75	
Jakarta Indonesia	16th Fl Jalan Iman Bonjol No.80 Jakarta	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	243	12	\$ -				\$ 65,949.00	\$271.40	
Jerusalem Israel	Room 314 - 206 Jaffa Road Jerusalem Part, 3rd floor 1 Park Road, Richmond, Johannesburg	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	110	5	\$ -				\$ 70,279.00	\$638.90	
Johannesburg South Africa	Part Level 2, 4 Millbank Westminster, London SW1P 3JA	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	85	3	\$ -				\$ 23,063.00	\$271.33	
London United Kingdom	Kutuzovsky 13 Appt.113 Moscow 121059	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	65	4	\$ -				\$ 26,109.00	\$401.68	
Moscow Russia	B-3/24 Vasant Vihar New Delhi 110057	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	410	6	\$ -				\$ 99,667.00	\$243.09	Includes residence Office Closed - Sublease to be finalized.
New Delhi India	747 Third Avenue, New York, 10017	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	49	0	\$ -				\$ 59,921.00	\$1,222.88	
New York United States	51 Airvos Ave Granville [Lot 16 Sec 51]	Office	Owned (on	1,466	110	99	3	\$ 0.66	\$ 0.50	\$ 1.16	-\$ 0.06	\$ -		
Port Moresby PNG	NHK Hoso Ctre 2-2-1 Jinnan, Sibuya-ku 2000 M Street, N.W. Suite 660 Washington DC 20036	Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	70.6	4	\$ -				\$ 57,821.00	\$818.99	
Tokyo Japan		Office	Leased	N/A	N/A	360	9	\$ -				\$ 166,894.00	\$463.59	
Washington United States														

New York - Office closed.

\*Jakarta incl. 3 x RA staff, and 3 x AN staff. Does not include 1 x Financial Times reporter (sub-leases)

\*London incl. 2 x ABC Sales staff but does not include 2 x TVNZ staff (sub-leases)

\*New Delhi includes 1 x AN staff

\*Beijing includes 3 x AN staff

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**Australian Broadcasting Corporation**

**Question No: 207**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Media/Comms Staff**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. For all departments and agencies, please provide – in relation to all public relations, communications and media staff – the following, by department or agency:
  - a. How many ongoing staff, the classification, the type of work they undertake and their location.
  - b. How many non-ongoing staff, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location
  - c. How many contractors, their classification, type of work they undertake and their location

**Answer:**

<b>Ongoing</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>ACT</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>Qld</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>Tas</b>	<b>Vic</b>	<b>WA</b>	<b>NT</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Public Relations/ Communications</b>	Director		1							<b>1</b>
	Senior Executive		1				1			<b>2</b>
	Admin/Professional		3							<b>3</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Marketing/ Publicity/ Promotions</b>	Senior Executive		2				1			<b>3</b>
	Admin/Professional	1	42	2	2	1	10	2	1	<b>61</b>
	Content Maker		12	2	1	1	4	1		<b>21</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>85</b>
<b>Non-ongoing</b>	<b>Classification</b>	<b>ACT</b>	<b>NSW</b>	<b>Qld</b>	<b>SA</b>	<b>Tas</b>	<b>Vic</b>	<b>WA</b>	<b>NT</b>	<b>Total</b>
	Marketing/ Publicity/ Promotions		1							<b>1</b>
	Admin/Professional		14				2			<b>16</b>
	Content Maker						1			<b>1</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>

*Data at 26th October 2012*

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**Question No: 208**

**Program No. ABC**

**Hansard Ref: In Writing**

**Topic: Grants pause**

**Senator Birmingham asked:**

1. To date, how much of the 2012-13 budget appropriations has your department/agency received?
2. For 2012-13 please list each grant program your department/agency administers, and the total funding of each program.
3. Please list each grant program that has not been paused as part of the Government- wide grants pause.
4. Please provide the total cash value of each program that has not been paused?
5. Please list each grant program that has been "paused" as part of the Government-wide grants pause.
6. Please provide the total cash value of each program that has been paused, and the total value of all grants paused?
7. On what date did your department/agency receive advice from the government to pause certain grants programs?
  - a. How was the instruction received, and from whom was it received?
8. Please list the dates on which the Minister for Finance met with senior department/agency officials to discuss the grants pause and on which the Minister overseeing your department/agency met with senior department officials
9. From what date was your department/agency told to implement the grants pause?
  - a. When did it do so?
10. Has your department/agency been provided with information regarding when the grants pause would end?
  - a. If so, what was the date?
  - b. Was your department/agency advised if it could communicate when the grants pause would end to grant applicants?
11. Please provide the advice your department/agency gave to Department of Finance regarding which programs should be included in the grants pause.

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12. Did your department/agency receive advice/instruction from the Department of Finance regarding how best to communicate the grants pause to grant applicants, the media and other external stakeholders?
13. What information has been provided to grant applicants regarding the grants pause? Please provide scripts if these have been given to call centres, or any other information sheets which have been used internally for discussing the grants pause with applicants.
14. Has your department/agency been advised by the Department of Finance of further grants pauses in the future? If so
  - a. When did you receive notification of future grants pauses?
  - b. What is the date of future grants to be paused?
  - c. Which grants programs will be paused?
  - d. What is total value of pauses in future grants programs?
  - e. When will notification of these future grants pauses be made public?
15. How many staff are employed to administer grant programs within the department?
16. During the Grants Pause, with what activities have these staff been involved?
  - a. Have staff been moved to other divisions during the grants pause?
17. During the Grants Pause, were decisions on grants being made, but applicants not alerted?

**Answer:**

1. Under the current arrangements for funding of *Commonwealth Authorities and Companies Act 1997* bodies, the ABC's budget appropriations are budgeted as departmental appropriations in the Federal Budget, but are subsequently reported as Grants Received from Portfolio Department in the Final Budget Outcome.

As at the end of October 2012, the ABC had received \$418.181 million of the 2012-13 budget appropriations.

- 2.—17. Not applicable. The ABC does not administer grant programs.