

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

TOPIC: Venture Australia

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Carr

QUESTION No.: SI-110

For Venture Australia please provide:

1. the 2012-13 updated budget outcome for this program
2. Current forward estimates for 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, 2017-18
3. What the breakdown of these estimates is between administered and Departmental costs?
4. How many FTE staff positions are allocated to the running of Venture Australia?

ANSWER

1. Funding for the Venture Australia measure did not commence until 2013-14.
2. For the administered program expenses refer to table on page 26 of the *Industry, Innovation, Climate Change, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio Budget Statements 2013-14*, unless the program was impacted by measures reported in the 2013-14 Mid-Year Economic and Fiscal Outlook, whereby the revised program estimates will be available in the Industry Portfolio Additional Estimates Statements 2013-14.
3. The estimates referenced in answer 2 are for administered expenses only. The Department does not generally maintain details of the breakdown of departmental costs by program.
4. Allocation of staff to departmental programmes is not available as staff invariably work on multiple programmes and distinguishing their time on individual programmes would be an unreasonable diversion of resources.