

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome Corporate and Network

DEEWR Question No. EW801_10

Senator Humphries provided in writing.

Question

Official Hospitality

- (a) What is the Department's hospitality spend YTD? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events.
- (b) For each Minister/Parliamentary Secretary's office, please detail total hospitality spend YTD. Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of each event.

Answer

- (a) Total hospitality expenditure for the department for the period 1 July 2009 to 20 November 2009 was \$37,000.66. Please refer to the table at [Attachment A](#) for a breakdown between events over \$1,000 and general Group and State hospitality.
- (b) Total hospitality expenditure met by the department for the Ministerial offices from 1 July 2009 to 20 November 2009 was \$4,001.73. Please refer to the table at [Attachment B](#) for a breakdown by Ministerial office.

Official Hospitality for the period 1 July 2009 to 20 November 2009

Event DATE	LOCATION	PURPOSE	COST (\$)(Ex GST)
03/09/2009	Hobart Conference Centre Elizabeth Pier Hobart	Closing the Gap meeting	\$1,889.32
06/09/2009	The Marque Hotel 102 Northbourne Avenue ACT	Early Childhood roundtable	\$1,981.36
30/09/2009	The Marque Hotel 102 Northbourne Avenue ACT	Early Childhood Data Subgroup to further develop the National Early childhood Education and Care Data Standards	\$1,715.91
18/09/2009	Hilton Melbourne Airport Arrival Drive Melbourne	Early Childhood Data Subgroup to further develop the National Early childhood Education and Care Data Standards	\$1,575.89
31/08/2009	Ginger Catering Old Parliament House King George Terrace Parkes ACT	Early Learning and Care Services Branch Planning	\$1,040.91
12/06/2009	Hotel Grand Chancellor 1 Davey Street Hobart	Ministerial Council Education Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs meeting	\$1,606.82
07/08/2009	The Boat House Grevillea Park Menindee Drive Barton ACT	Australian Council of State School Organisations and Australian Parent Council Parent Forum	\$2,200.00
16/11/2009	Kia Peng Kuala Lumpur	International Counsellor function	\$1,177.19
05/11/2009	Adelaide Convention Centre North Terrace Adelaide	Ministerial Council Education Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs meeting	\$2,081.82
Subtotal			\$15,269.22
GENERAL EXPENDITURE (< \$1000 in value per event)			
PURPOSE			
Executive Ministers Offices OECECC Schooling and COAG Tertiary, Youth and International Employment Employment and Strategic Policy Workplace Relations Corporate & Network	General Official Hospitality includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Launches attended by the media; ▪ Hospitality associated with advisory committee functions; ▪ Major events relating to the progress or promotion of the Department's business ▪ Hospitality which promotes a government policy or objective; ▪ Hosting visiting officials and dignitaries from overseas; ▪ Hospitality which facilitates the conduct of public business and ▪ Hospitality at functions for staff in recognition of significant events 		\$131.82 \$4,001.73 \$4,743.48 \$1,584.77 \$7,608.32 \$16.33 \$107.45 \$1,069.63 \$2,467.91
Total < \$1000			\$21,731.44
Total			\$37,000.66

**Official Hospitality for Minister/Parliamentary Secretary's offices, for the period
1 July 2009 to 20 November 2009**

	YTD
The Hon Julia Gillard MP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister for Education • Minister for Employment and Workplace Relations • Minister for Social Inclusion • Deputy Prime Minister 	\$ 3,779.54
The Hon Kate Ellis MP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister for Early Childhood Education and Child Care and Youth 	Nil
Senator the Hon Mark Arbib <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minister for Employment Participation 	Nil
Senator the Hon Ursula Stephens <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary Secretary for Social Inclusion 	\$ 222.19
The Hon Jason Clare MP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parliamentary Secretary for Employment 	Nil
TOTAL	\$ 4,001.73