

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Cross Portfolio

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Senator Back provided in writing.

Question

Media Subscriptions

"1. Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to pay TV (for example Foxtel)? a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what channels. b) What was the cost for 2010-11? c) What is the estimated cost for 2011-12? 2. Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to newspapers? a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers. b) What was the cost for 2010-11? c) What is the estimated cost for 2011-12? 3. Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to magazines? a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what magazines. b) What was the cost for 2010-11? c) What is the estimated cost for 2011-12?"

Answer

Pay television subscriptions in the Education, Employment and Workplace Relations Portfolio for 2010-11 were as follows:

- The department subscribed to Foxtel's Sky News channel at an annual cost of \$7,932.12.
- The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$2,410.00.
- The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value pack at an annual cost of \$4,494.46.
- The Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO) subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$1,698.00.
- Minister Ellis subscribed to Foxtel's Business and Sports Pack at an annual cost of \$1,200.00.
- Minister Evans subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$2,539.68.

For 2011-12 the estimated costs are as follows:

- The department subscribed to Foxtel's Sky News channel at an annual cost of \$3,346.44.
- The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$1,800.00.
- The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value pack at an annual cost of \$2,847.24.

- The Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO) subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$1,700.
- Minister Ellis subscribed to Foxtel's Business and Sports Pack at an annual cost of \$1,200.00.
- Minister Evans subscribed to Foxtel's Business Value Pack at an annual cost of \$1,944.00.

The subscriptions provide both national and international perspectives and breaking news on a broad range of issues which both directly and indirectly impact on the work of agencies in the portfolio.

The department and portfolio agencies subscribe to the newspapers and magazines listed in the table below. The reasons for the subscriptions include: monitoring of articles on government policy with reference to Government programs delivered by the department; current local, national and international political issues; providing access to up to date international research and analysis on key issues to the department; and emerging issues relevant to the department.

Education Employment and Workplace Relations Portfolio Magazine and Newspaper Subscriptions for 2010-11

Publication	DEEWR	ABCC	ACARA	AITSL	Comcare	FWA	FWO	SWA	ASQA ¹	TEQSA ¹
ACT Teacher						✓				
AEU News						✓				
AIJA News						✓				
Alternative Law Journal						✓				
American Economic Review						✓				
Asia Pacific Journal of Human Resources						✓				
Australasian Dispute Resolution Journal						✓				
Australian Bulletin of Labour						✓				
Australian Business Law Review						✓				
Australian Journal of Administrative Law						✓				
Australian Journal of Management						✓				
Australian Meat News						✓				
Australian Nursing Journal						✓				
Benchmarking HR						✓				
Berkeley Journal of Employment and Labour Law						✓				
British Journal of Industrial Relations						✓				
Border Watch							✓			
Business Pulse						✓				
Business Review Weekly						✓				
Campus Review	✓									✓
Common Cause						✓				
Economic Papers						✓				
Employment Law Bulletin						✓				
Griffith Law Review						✓				
Harvard Business Review	✓									
Independent Education						✓				

In Design Magazine						✓				
Industrial and Labour Relations Review						✓				
Industrial Law Journal						✓				
Industrial Relations (a Journal of Economy and Society)						✓				
Industry (Australian Industry Group Magazine)						✓				
Insights: Melbourne Economics and Commerce						✓				
International Journal of Comparative Labour Law and Industrial Relations						✓				
Japan Labor Review						✓				
Journal of Economic Literature						✓				
Journal of Economic Perspectives						✓				
Journal of Industrial Relations						✓				
Journal of Judicial Administration						✓				
Journal of Labour Economics						✓				
Judicial Officers Bulletin						✓				
Labour (review of labour economics and industrial relations)						✓				
Labour and Industry						✓				
Law Institute Journal						✓				
Law Society Journal						✓				
Leadership in Focus				✓						
Monash University Law Review										
Nationwide News						✓				
New Zealand Journal of Employment Relations						✓				
Occupational Health Newsletter						✓				

OECD Economic Outlook						✓				
OECD Economic Surveys						✓				
OECD Observer						✓				
PHP Architect						✓				
Principal Matters				✓						
Professional Educator and Education Review				✓						
Quadrant						✓				
Shop Investor						✓				
Smart Investor						✓				
South African Labour Bulletin						✓				
Spectator						✓				
Sydney Law Review						✓				
The Age	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
The Advertiser (Adelaide)	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓			
The Advertiser (Bendigo)							✓			
The Australian	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The Australian Financial Review	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
The Australian Teacher Magazine				✓						
The Canberra Times	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓		
The Central Western Daily							✓			
The Chronicle of Higher Education										✓
The Courier Mail	✓	✓			✓	✓				
The Daily Advertiser (Wagga)							✓			
The Daily Telegraph	✓	✓				✓	✓			
The Examiner		✓								
The Economist	✓					✓				
The Herald Sun	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓		✓	✓
The Indigenous Times	✓									
The Koori Mail	✓									
The Land	✓									
The Mercury	✓					✓				
The Naracoorte Herald							✓			

The Newcastle Herald							✓				
The Northern Territory News	✓						✓				
The South East Times							✓				
The Sydney Morning Herald	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			
The Times Higher Education											✓
The Warrnambool Standard							✓				
The Weekend Australian	✓										
The Weekly Times	✓										
The Western Australian		✓			✓	✓	✓				
Time						✓					
Victorian Retailer						✓					
Work Employment and Society						✓					
World of Work						✓					
Work Place Express						✓					
Total cost 2010-11	\$56,475	\$8,740	\$1,560	\$350	\$9,170	\$60,259	\$15,457	\$1,823	N/A	N/A	
Est cost 2011-12	\$58,735	\$7,909	\$1,040	\$707	\$11,349	\$60,259	\$15,000	\$1,823	\$2,075	\$2,865	

¹ The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) and the Tertiary Education Quality Standards Agency (TEQSA) commenced operations in 2011-12.

The Australian Learning and Teaching Council (ALTC) is in the process of being wound up. All financial and administrative records are in the hands of the liquidators and therefore no information is able to be provided at this time.