

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Finance and Administration

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Question: F7

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Number of Costed Policies associated with Budget Spending since 2001

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Senator Conroy asked:

Senator CONROY—Can I ask for a total then rather than a descriptive?

Senator Minchin—I am happy to take that on notice if what you are asking for is X number of policies that have been costed.

Senator CONROY—If you could break that down into the period since 2001, the last 12 months and the last six months that would be helpful.

Answer:

A comparison of the number of expense policies that have been costed since 2000-01 is provided in Attachment A.

NUMBER OF COSTED POLICY DECISIONS SUPPORTING TOTAL EXPENSES (a)

DECISION PERIOD	TOTAL
Post 00-01 Budget up to and including 00-01 MYEFO	81
Post 00-01 MYEFO up to and including 01-02 Budget	331
Total	412
Post 01-02 Budget up to and including 01-02 MYEFO	76
Post 01-02 MYEFO up to and including 02-03 Budget	289
Total	365
Post 02-03 Budget up to and including 02-03 MYEFO	95
Post 02-03 MYEFO up to and including 03-04 Budget	375
Total	470
Post 03-04 Budget up to and including 03-04 MYEFO	140
Post 03-04 MYEFO up to and including 04-05 Budget	527
Total	667

(a) Total number of policy decisions, from Budget to Forward Year Three inclusive, as listed in Budget Paper No. 2 for the periods, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05.