

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012

Finance and Deregulation Portfolio

Department/Agency: Department of Finance and Deregulation

Outcome/Program: 2/2.1

Topic: Official Air Travel

Senator: Fifield

Question reference number: F69

Type of question: Written

Date set by the committee for the return of answer: Friday, 8 July 2011

Number of pages: 2

Question:

- a) The total number of flight segments flown by employees in the Department, broken down by **fare type** (*flexible, best available fare*), **airline** (*Qantas or QantasLink, Jetstar, Virgin, Tiger Airways, other*) and **city pair route** (*Melbourne to Sydney, Brisbane to Sydney, Brisbane to Melbourne, Adelaide to Melbourne, Adelaide to Sydney, Melbourne to Perth, Perth to Sydney, Hobart to Melbourne, Canberra to Melbourne, and Canberra to Sydney*).
- b) The total value of the flights flown by employees in the Department, broken down by **fare type** (*flexible, best available fare*), **airline** (*Qantas or QantasLink, Jetstar, Virgin, Tiger Airways, other*) and **city pair route** (*Melbourne to Sydney, Brisbane to Sydney, Brisbane to Melbourne, Adelaide to Melbourne, Adelaide to Sydney, Melbourne to Perth, Perth to Sydney, Hobart to Melbourne, Canberra to Melbourne, and Canberra to Sydney*).
- c) The total number of flight segments flown by employees in the Department who have the entitlement to travel on business class, broken down by **fare type** (*flexible, best available fare*) and **airline** (*Qantas or QantasLink, Jetstar, Virgin, Tiger Airways, other*).
- d) The total value of the flights flown by employees in the Department who have the entitlement to travel on business class, broken down by **fare type** (*flexible, best available fare*) and **airline** (*Qantas or QantasLink, Jetstar, Virgin, Tiger Airways, other*).

Answer:

a) 2466

Breakdown:

By Fare type: Senator Fifield asked for a breakdown by flexible and *best available fare*. *Best available fare* is not a fare type.

Fully Flexible = 331	Other Fare types = 2,435
----------------------	--------------------------

By Airline: Qantas = 1994 / Virgin Australia = 464 / Jet star = 8

By City pair:

Adelaide – Melbourne = 14	Adelaide – Sydney = 2
Brisbane – Melbourne = 6	Brisbane – Sydney = 11
Canberra – Melbourne = 791	Canberra – Sydney = 1596
Hobart – Melbourne = 24	Melbourne – Perth = 7
Melbourne – Sydney = 13	Perth – Sydney = 2

b) \$371,090

Breakdown:

By Fare type:

Fully Flexible = \$131,941	Other Fare Types = \$ 239,149
----------------------------	-------------------------------

By Airline: Qantas = 1994 / Virgin Australia = 464 / Jet star = 8

By City pair:

Adelaide – Melbourne = \$3,376	Adelaide – Sydney = \$234
Brisbane – Melbourne = \$1,715	Brisbane – Sydney = \$1,932
Canberra – Melbourne = \$142,138	Canberra – Sydney = \$205,823
Hobart – Melbourne = \$5,199	Melbourne – Perth = \$5,197
Melbourne – Sydney = \$3,502	Perth – Sydney = \$1,974

c) 246. All domestic Business class travel in the reporting period was on Qantas.

d) \$113,226

Breakdown:

By Fare type: Fully Flexible = \$113,226

By Airline: All domestic Business class travel in the reporting period was on Qantas.