

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2005-2006, 1 November 2005

Question: HS63

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Centrelink - Domestic and International Travel Expenditure

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SENATOR FIELDING asked on 1/11/05:

1. How much money has the portfolio spent on domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
2. How much money has the portfolio spent on overseas airfares for each of the last three financial years?
3. How much money has the portfolio spent on economy class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
4. How much money has the portfolio spent on business class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
5. How much has the portfolio spent on first class domestic airfares for each of the last three financial years?
6. What would be the estimated financial year dollar saving if all public servants in the portfolio travelled economy class for flights of less than one and a half hours duration?

Answer:

1.

Financial Year	Domestic Airfares
2002-03	\$10,690,054
2003-04	\$8,948,180
2004-05	\$10,922,594

2.

Financial Year	Overseas Airfares
2002-03	\$461,757
2003-04	\$403,698
2004-05	\$483,192

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3.

Financial Year	Economy Class Domestic Fares
2002-2003	\$9,727,949
2003-2004	\$7,963,880
2004-2005	\$9,502,657

4.

Financial Year	Business Class Domestic Fares
2002-2003	\$962,105
2003-2004	\$984,300
2004-2005	\$1,419,937

5. Nil – not applicable

6. This is difficult to calculate because of the detailed analysis required.