

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

Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Australian Information Commissioner

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Travel costs

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

- a) For the year 2010-11, please detail all travel (itemised separately,) undertaken by your portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries. Include details of what the travel was for, what cost was spent on travel (including travel type – i.e. business airfare), accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment, and all other expenses.
- b) For the year 2010-11, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for any Minister and Parliamentary staff that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff.
- c) For the year 2010-11, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff.
- d) For the year 2010-11, please detail all travel (itemised separately) undertaken by employees of each department and agency within each portfolio. Include details of what the travel was for, what cost was spent on travel (including travel type – i.e. business airfare), accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment, and all other expenses.
- e) For the FYTD, please detail all travel (itemised separately) undertaken by your portfolio Minister and Parliamentary Secretaries. Include details of what the travel was for, what cost was spent on travel (including travel type – i.e. business airfare), accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment, and all other expenses.
- f) For the FYTD, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for any Minister and Parliamentary staff that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff.

- g) For the FYTD, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff.
- h) For the year FYTD, please detail all travel (itemised separately) undertaken by employees of each department and agency within each portfolio. Include details of what the travel was for, what cost was spent on travel (including travel type – i.e. business airfare), accommodation, security, food, beverages (alcohol listed separately), gifts, entertainment, and all other expenses.

Answer:

a) – c) Not applicable.

d)

FY10/11

Travel - domestic airfares	Total GST Incl.	\$95,559.54
Travel - Domestic Travel Allowance, includes Accommodation, Meals & Incidentals	Total No GST:	\$78,095.58
Travel - other expenses	Total GST Incl:	\$15,391.10
Travel - overseas airfares	Total No GST:	\$22,881.42
Travel - Overseas Travel Allowance, includes Accommodation, Meals & Incidentals	Total No GST:	\$9,172.60

The OAIC does not record travel data in a way that would readily allow a more detailed answer to be provided to this question. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.

e) – g) Not applicable.

h)

YTD FY11/12

Travel - domestic airfares	Total GST Incl.	\$21,669.24
Travel - Domestic Travel Allowance, includes Accommodation, Meals & Incidentals	Total: No GST	\$19,470.15
Travel - other expenses	Total GST Incl:	\$1,908.10
Travel - overseas airfares	Total No GST:	\$0.00
Travel - Overseas Travel Allowance, includes Accommodation, Meals & Incidentals	Total No GST:	\$3,072.27

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