

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: Taxi Costs 2011-12

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

For the 2011-12 financial year the National Mental Health Commission has spent \$8,787.69 (ex GST) on taxi costs for the 10 Commissioners and relevant staff to attend Commission meetings, stakeholder meetings and other essential business.

The National Mental Health Commission is a small agency and as such does not record travel data in a disaggregated way by business group. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.