

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 310

**Topic:** Community Cabinet

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Boyce** asked:

"How many Community Cabinet meetings has the Minister attended this financial year to date? List date and location.

How many Departmental Officers travelled with the Minister for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date? What was the total cost of this travel? List travel type, accommodate and any other expenses.

Which Community Cabinet meetings did the Departmental Officers attend? List date and location.

What was the total cost to the Department and the Ministers office for the Community Cabinet meetings for this financial year to date?"

**Answer:**

The date and location for Community Cabinet meetings that the Minister has attended is able to be obtained from the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet.

The table below shows the cost and location for Departmental staff to attend Community Cabinet Meetings this financial year to date.

Community Cabinet Location	Departmental Staff Attendance	Cost of Departmental Staff Attendance (GST Exclusive)	
IPSWICH QLD 10 July 2012	3	Airfares	\$1096.70
		Travel Allowances	\$255.01
ORELIA WA 5 September 2012	4	Accommodation	\$518.00
		Airfares	\$3347.01
		Travel Allowances	\$362.15
LAUNCESTON TAS 3 October 2012	3	Accommodation	\$152.00
		Airfares	\$1312.03
		Travel Allowances	\$247.00

The total Departmental cost for staff to attend Community Cabinet meetings this financial year to date is \$7,289.90 (GST Exclusive).

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The total cost for the Minister's office to attend Community Cabinet meetings held this financial year to date is able to be obtained from the Department of Finance and Deregulation.