

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings February 2014

Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 120

Program No. NBN Co

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Taxi Costs

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. How much did each Department/Agency spend on taxis from Supplementary Budget Estimates in November 2013 to date? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.
2. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

1. The values below include taxi and train expenditure for the period of 1 November 2013 to 28 February 2014.

Cost center	Taxis/Train Nov 13 - Feb 14 2013/2014
Chief Operating Officer (C11000)	316,286
Product & Sales (C31000)	27,462
Reg Affairs & Ind Anlys (C31300)	2,688
Chief Executive Office (C61000)	529
Technology Organisation (C62000)	16,613
Finance (C63000)	12,394
Strategy & Transformation (C64125)	23,759
Corporate - (C64000)	104,961
Communications (C71000)	22,224
<b>Total</b>	<b>526,916</b>

2. NBN Co employees use taxis predominately when travelling interstate i.e. from airport to NBN Co office, for travel to attend meetings where public transport is less efficient or where an NBN Co employee is required to work after 8pm.