

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Additional Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

NBN Co Limited

Question No: 341

Program No. NBN Co Limited

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Taxi Costs

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. How much did each Department/Agency spend on taxis from 25 February 2014 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 March 2014¹ to 31 May 2014.

Cost center	Taxis/Train (A805220) Mar 14 - May 14 2013/2014
Chief Operating Officer	289,947
Product & Sales	24,066
Reg Affairs & Ind Anlys	4,832
Chief Executive Office	185
Technology Organisation	13,655
Finance	16,595
Corporate	95,786
Strategy & Transformation	21,535
Communications	24,756
Total	491,357

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.

¹ Hire car expenditure from 1 March 2014 has been disclosed in order to align with the NBN Co Limited month end reporting process