

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearings October 2016**  
**Communications Portfolio**  
**Special Broadcasting Service**

**Question No: 84**

**Special Broadcasting Service**

**Hansard Ref: Written, 20/10/2016**

**Topic: Spend on Broadcasting**

**Senator Abetz, Eric asked:**

1. In the past two years, how much has the SBS spent on promoting or broadcasting:
  - (a) Christian Church Services?
    - i. And of those, from Greek or Russian Orthodox
  - (b) Muslim/Islamic services – split between Sunni/Shia if relevant
  - (c) Buddhist
  - (d) Hindu
2. Of new arrivals coming to Australia in the past two years, what is the percentage distribution between the various above referred to religions?
3. Of those religious groups, which if any support altering the definition of marriage in Australia to include marriage between same sex, transgender and intersex people?

**Answer:**

1. SBS does not promote or broadcast religious services.
2. SBS does not hold this information.
3. SBS does not hold this information.