

Senate Economics Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Additional Estimates

2015 - 2016

Department/Agency: ACCC

Question: AET 248-250

Topic: Taxi Costs

Reference: written - 19 February 2016

Senator: Ludwig, Joe/Wong, Penny

Question:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

248. How much did each department/agency spend on taxis during the specified period? Provide a breakdown for each business group in each department/agency.

249. What are the reasons for taxi costs?

250. How much did the department spend on taxis during the specified period for their minister or minister's office?

Answer:

248. For the period 1 September 2015 to 31 January 2016, \$148,251 (excluding GST) was spent on taxis.

This cost is attributable to the following business groups:

Division	Amount (\$)
Australian Energy Regulator	22,303
Consumer, Small Business & Product Safety	10,545
Enforcement	47,899
Executive	27,608
Infrastructure and Regulation	13,019
Legal and Economic	8,255
Merger and Authorisation	8,336
People & Corporate Services	10,286
Total	148,251

249. Taxis are used by management and staff for transportation to and from business meetings and events.

250. Nil.