

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Budget Estimates

4 – 6 June 2013

Question: BET 591-592

Topic: Meeting Costs

Written: 17 June 2013

Senator BUSHBY asked:

591. What is the department/agency's meeting spend for this financial year to date? Detail the date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.
592. What meeting spend is the department/agency planning on spending? Detail the date, location, purpose and cost of all events, including any catering and drinks costs.

**Financial year to date – 31 May 2013*

Answer:

- 591-592. The ABS does not record meeting costs data in a way that would readily allow answers to be provided to these questions. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of departmental resources.