

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017**

Outcome: Cross Portfolio

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000294

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

Senior Executive Travel

Question

1. Please provide the number of flights taken by senior executive in 2015-16, 2016-17?
These flights broken down by:
 - Number of domestic flights
 - Number of international flights
 - Number of these flights taken in business class
 - Number of these flights taken in economy class
 - Total expenditure on flights for the period above
2. Total expenditure on hire cars in 2015-16, 2016-17?

Answer

1. The Department of Education and Training's financial system does not identify the number of flights undertaken by staff classification. It is not possible to make a reliable estimate of the number of flights undertaken by senior executive and the class of these flights.

The total expenditure on flights for 2015-16 is \$2,125,060. The total expenditure for the period 1 July 2016 to 17 March 2017 is \$1,401,993. These figures are GST inclusive.

2. Cost of other ground transport may include hire vehicle and car parking related to travel. The department's financial system does not identify expenditure on hire cars separately. It is not possible to make a reliable estimate of the amount spent on hire cars.