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TOPIC: Communication Programs

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What communications programs has the agency undertaken, or are planning to undertake?

For each program what is the total spend?

ANSWER

The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO) routinely promotes both its own science and opportunities for the Australian public and other stakeholders to become involved in CSIRO activities and programs. This involves an estimated 25,000 publications, reports, newsletters, factsheets, workshops, conferences, lectures, field and open days, school visits and other events each year. These education, outreach and knowledge transfer activities are embedded in virtually all of CSIRO's research programs and itemising and separately costing each of these items is not possible from the configuration of CSIRO's finance systems.