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TOPIC: Graduate Program

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QUESTION No.: AI-95

What has been the full cost to the Department of its Graduate Program for each of the years 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010?

Please provide figures for 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 which show how many people participated in the Graduate Program and how many still remain full-time employees of the Department for each of those years.

ANSWER

The full costs of the Department's Graduate Program are detailed in the following table:

Year	Program Component	Salary Component *	Total
2007	\$640,729	\$1,322,600	\$1,963,329
2008	\$607,209	\$1,242,120	\$1,849,329
2009	\$694,830	\$1,409,220	\$2,104,050
2010	\$558,826	\$1,849,612	\$2,408,438

*Actual salary figures not available, figures based on commencement salary, multiplied by the number of graduates @ 10 months (the duration of the Graduate Program).

Note: all figures are GST exclusive

The number of people who have participated in the Department's Graduate Program and how many still remain in the Department are detailed in the following table:

Year	Participants	Remaining Full Time Employees
2007	40	19*
2008	33	25
2009	36	30
2010	45	42

*2007 – 10 participants moved to the Department of Resources, Energy and Tourism as part of the Machinery of Government change.