

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**AGENCY/DEPARTMENT:** INNOVATION, INDUSTRY, SCIENCE AND RESEARCH

**TOPIC:** PMSEIC

**REFERENCE:** Question on Notice (Hansard, 30 May 2011, E109-110)

**QUESTION No.:** BI-43

**Senator COLBECK:** So you actually acknowledge those apologies to the meeting. So in February there were 12 out of the 14 and in the previous meeting there were nine out of the 12 in March 2010. Up until that meeting of PMSEIC in February, has the Prime Minister attended all of the meetings?

**Senator Carr:** We would have to check the records, Senator.

**Senator COLBECK:** So you will have to take that on notice. If you give us the dates of the meetings that the Prime Minister has attended, that would be fine. I want to go back quickly to your quotes earlier in the evening.

**Senator Carr:** In response to your question about the attendance of the Prime Minister, I am advised that Prime Minister Rudd attended the four meetings that were held during his time as Prime Minister.

**Senator COLBECK:** And with Prime Minister Gillard there would only have been the one?

**Senator Carr:** There was only the one. You are aware of the reason for her absence on that day.

**ANSWER**

Attendance at PMSEIC meetings 18-21 is recorded in the response for AI-16, Additional Estimates, 23 February 2011.

The date of the PMSEIC meetings and attendance of the Prime Minister is listed below.

Meeting	Date	Prime Minister attended
PMSEIC 22	4 February 2011	No
PMSEIC 21	18 March 2010	Yes
PMSEIC 20	5 June 2009	Yes
PMSEIC 19	9 October 2008	Yes
PMSEIC 18	23 April 2008	Yes