

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates

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Question No: SBT 71

Topic: Media subscriptions

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Senator Bushby asked:

Does your department or agencies within your portfolio subscribe to newspapers?

- (a) If yes, please provide the reason why, the cost and what newspapers.
- (b) What was the cost for 2010-11?
- (c) What is the estimated cost for 2011-12?

Answer:

The ATO subscribes to a range of hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals. These subscriptions are primarily business and/or industry focussed. The ATO's financial management information system does not separately identify these costs.

Therefore, the ATO has made an estimate for 2010-11, that the ATO has spent approximately \$256,000 on a range of hard copy magazines, newspapers and journals.

As the ATO's internal budget does not provide information at the requested level of detail, the estimated cost for 2011-12 cannot be provided. However, the cost for 2011-12 is not expected to differ substantially from 2010-11.