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TOPIC: Industry group membership

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QUESTION No.: SI-11

Senator RHIANNON: Thank you. I have now received the responses. I note that in the financial year 2011-12 you estimate that your expenditure on memberships was \$890,711. That is a great deal of money. Could you give us a further breakdown on how that was spent and, within the context of this review, your judgement on the benefits that you have received, and what industry groups you no longer will retain membership of?

Mr Walker: Your question has a number of parts; I will deal with them sequentially. Firstly, in relation to the specific memberships we would need to take that aspect of the question on notice. I believe the second part of your question, if you would not mind just clarifying for me, was around the value for money—whether that amount of money was justified. It is important for CSIRO to engage closely with all parts of industry. Every one of those membership decisions would be based on assessment by a relatively senior officer of CSIRO that the membership represented value for money, gave access to industry contacts and provided benefit to the organisation. That is fundamental in terms of how we spend our money, so you can make the assumption that each of those, whatever the value, would have that assessment built into it.

ANSWER

Please refer to the below table for a breakdown of the CSIRO's memberships, including costs and benefits.

Memberships are renewed based on an assessment that they continue to provide value for money and provided benefits to the organisation.

2011-12 MEMBERSHIPS

Organisation name	Retain Membership*	Value in \$ (excl GST)	Benefits
Centre for Agricultural Bioscience International (CABI)	Australia is a treaty level member of CABI and CSIRO manages the membership on behalf of the Australian Government.	121,006	CABI is a not-for-profit organisation established by a United Nations treaty-level agreement between 46 member countries. Each member country has an equal role in the organization's governance, policies and strategic direction, in addition to enjoying a number of privileges and services relating to scientific expertise, products and resources. These include disease identification, capacity building and information products. Membership of CABI gives national governments a leadership role in directing and influencing the global development agenda through the work of the organisation and its international network of partners.
Integrated Ocean Drilling Program (IODP)	Yes	105,000	Includes: • access to IODP research vessel expeditions that go deep ocean drilling each year. Places are limited and only assigned on scientific merit through a competitive nomination process open only to consortium members; high-leverage access to the globe's largest and most effective international geoscience program; • collaborative linkages and capability development opportunities, and • a permanent seat on the Australia New Zealand IODP Governing Council. A number of the CSIRO staff are also involved in Australian and International IODP Committees and Panels.
Corporate Executive Board (CEB)	Yes	96,562	CEB assists senior executives and their teams manage corporate performance by supplying a model to harness outside perspectives and best practices. The CSIRO has three memberships in CEB, one each of: • Finance Leadership Exchange • Corporate Leadership Council Human Resources • Communications Executive Council. Benefits of membership include executive networking, live and online learning, best practices, research and insights, decision and diagnostic tools, peer benchmarks, and advisory support.
Victorian Centre Advanced Materials Manufacturing Limited (VCAMM)	No	70,000	The CSIRO was part of the VCAMM to facilitate interaction with industry particularly Victorian small and medium enterprises (SMEs).
Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)	Yes	28,662	Benefits are through research and collaboration activities and include: • participation in co-operative research programs; • OECD funded activity that enhances research and development (e.g. conferences); • identification of scientific priorities; • Providing a forum to share experiences and seek solutions; and • access to industry and government networks.

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Grains & Legumes Nutrition Council (GLNC)	Yes	25,000	Include: - a forum for the CSIRO to engage directly with industry members and to understand their research and development (R&D) needs; - providing the CSIRO a forum to communicate directly to industry about outcomes of the CSIRO's research; and, - an efficient way to gain access to an industry consensus view on issues that otherwise could only be obtained by bilateral discussions. As an example of this benefit, in the past year, engagement with the GLNC has led to the development of a jointly funded project on wheat avoidance among grain consumers
Queensland Compound Library	Yes	20,191	The membership provides ongoing storage of the CSIRO Materials Science and Engineering's compounds, distribution of samples to collaborating partners, and access to other compounds in the library from other member organizations. All members must make a contribution annually to upkeep and benefits.
Camcore Cooperative	Yes	20,109.17	Include: - Camcore members establish and maintain a number of eucalyptus species trials around the world; - The CSIRO has access to the network of trials and data both locally and internationally; and - The CSIRO has the ability to undertake projects on behalf of Camcore.
Brown Coal Innovation Australia Ltd (BCIA)	Yes	20,000	The CSIRO is an Associate Member and receives the following benefits: - access to information on global research and development on the sustainable use of brown coal; - access to R & D and demonstration project results from co-operative research centres of which BCIA becomes a member; - access to research results and learning and networking activities; - opportunity to actively participate in the acceleration of innovative brown coal technologies for emissions reduction; link nationally and internationally with BCIA members and partners to access learnings and promotional opportunities; and engage in a collaborative forum for the sharing of ideas and information regarding brown coal innovation.
Intersect Australia Ltd	Yes	20,000	Include: - access to Intersect's team of eResearch analysts for advice on eResearch; - software and hardware services, software development and high performance computing; and - allows the CSIRO to maintain beneficial links to eResearch.

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Astronomy Australia Limited	Yes	16,993	Astronomy Australia Limited plays an important role in coordinating major astronomy infrastructure initiatives and in managing Commonwealth funding that is occasionally made available for astronomy infrastructure construction and/or operations. The CSIRO Astronomy and Space Science (CASS) is a founding member in the company, together with all major astronomical research institutes in Australia. Institutional membership allows the CSIRO to play a part in establishing research priorities and directing expenditures in a responsible fashion. Some recent tangible benefits include: - the awarding to CASS of a \$1.47m contract from AAL in the period 2009-2013; and - a pending request for \$1.64m of AAL administered funding to CASS for 2013-2014. Indirect benefits include participating in the coordination of all the AAL funding support to maximise its alignment with the CSIRO's priorities.
Australian Access Federation Inc (AAF)	Yes	16,396	AAF provides a framework and support infrastructure to facilitate trusted electronic communications and collaboration within and between universities and research institutions in Australia. In practise this allows authorised the CSIRO staff a single point login to access other systems/services such as those offered by universities. This is particularly important in research collaborations where the CSIRO's researchers can access services within the networks of their collaborators and vice versa. Resources include: - data collections and data grids, - scientific instruments, modelling and visualisation tools, and computing resources; - collaboration environments and workspaces for virtual teams; - scholarly resources and publications; - eLearning resources and learning object collections; and - national higher education and research administrative systems.
Minerals Council of Australia (MCA)	Yes	15,500	The CSIRO's associate membership of the MCA provides access to industry leaders that assists the CSIRO align research programs with industry needs. Such forums provide insights into policy and decision making that is not otherwise available. These contacts underpin broader business development and ensure that the CSIRO can respond quickly to industry trends and challenges. Benefits of the CSIRO's associate membership of MCA include: - attendance at the Full Council Corporate Affairs Session – an industry update; - access to industry data compiled by the MCA and - attendance at the the CEO round table.

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Australian Information Industry Association	Yes	15,182	Benefits include: • engagement with industry and SMEs; • access to up to date industry information and • providing feedback from industry.
AusBiotech	Yes	15,000	A variety of benefits flow to the CSIRO's staff including: • discounts on annual meetings; • symposiums and conferences; • stands at exhibitions and • magazine subscriptions, etc.
AuScope Limited	Currently under review	15,000	Membership of a research consortium.
Victorian Marine Science Consortium (VMSC)	Yes	13,158	Benefits include: • engagement with key universities, EPA Victoria and the Victorian Department of Primary Industries; • collaboration in joint research projects; and • good citizenship.
Industrial Research Institute (IRI)	Yes	11,414	Access to thought leadership, best practices and networks to support and enhance the management and development of the CSIRO's innovation culture.
Open Geospatial Consortium (OGC)	Yes	10,060	The primary benefit to the CSIRO of membership of the OGC is as a pathway to impact for work in the area of spatial information standards. The CSIRO has contributed to and in some cases led the development of many standards. The most recent examples are leadership of : • development of the Observations and Measurements Standard – a standard for describing any observation and • development of the WaterML2.0 standard – for exchanging water information. Membership of OGC is also an excellent collaboration platform and has allowed collaborate on a number of activities with key water agencies around the world.
Bioenergy Australia	Yes	10,000	Membership provides access to Industry, government and research reports that help the CSIRO shape its contribution to the field of bioenergy in Australia.
International Energy Agency (IEA)	Yes	10,000	Benefits include: • access to global dialogue on energy; • access to research, statistics and analysis on energy security, economic development and environmental awareness; and • access to events.

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The Bio21 Cluster	Yes	10,000	The Bio21 Cluster is Victoria's leading biomedical and health sciences research cluster with international strengths in biomedical research, healthcare and education. Representing 22 member organisations, including the CSIRO, universities, tertiary health services, medical research institutes and other member-based organisations, the Cluster promotes collegiality and catalyses and advocates for opportunities that support health and medical research by facilitating collaborative projects and translational research and business development across its membership. The Cluster also delivers key shared infrastructure and education programs across the entire sector including the Victorian Platform Technology Network (VPTN; co-managed with Monash University) and the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP).
SIRF Roundtables (SIRFRt)	Yes	9,750	SIRFRt provides an avenue for the CSIRO's staff to interact with professionals from similar fields, generally engineering and maintenance, to assist in maintaining professional standards and standards of practice for operating facilities such as the Australian Animal Health Laboratory. Benefits include: • participation in national forums that provide information on statutory requirements and best practices; • access to training opportunities at formal workshops and courses; • participation in quarterly Roundtable meetings, site visits and topic specific common interest work groups; • access to various meetings and presentations that provide relevant up to date information and also provide an opportunity for meaningful interaction between professionals from like fields; and • advice and guidance that have improved system reliability reduced risk of system failure and reduced operational costs.
Council of Australian University Directors of Information Technology Inc. (CAUDIT)	Yes	9,098	The CSIRO gains numerous benefits from CAUDIT membership including: • access to CAUDIT whole of sector procurement arrangements. This is used to obtain "education" prices on certain products that are much lower than commercial or government pricing, and • collaboration with universities in IT areas to gain advantage through leverage/sharing of expertise.
Australian Institute of Nuclear Science and Engineering	Yes	8,879	Include: • access to major scientific and national facilities; • training of scientific research workers; • studentships in matters associated with nuclear science and engineering; and • fostering a national cooperative research effort.

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Australian Forrest Products Association (AFPA)	No	8,603	Trial membership taken out following the merger of the National Association of Forest Industries (NAFI) and the Australian Plantations Products and Paper Industry Council (A3P), as there had been many benefits related to industry and stakeholder engagement arising from the CSIRO's membership of NAFI.
Southern Tree Breeding Association	Yes	8,500	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Committee for Economic Development of Australia (CEDA)	Yes	8,150.00	Include: - access to a broad valuable network of Australian businesses; - participation as a speaker at several CEDA functions over the last year talking about, R&D and Precincts; and - outreach to the Australian business community to ensure a valuable link between R&D and Australian business priorities.
Australasian SKA Industry Consortium	Yes	7,800	The benefits include: - a regular forum for the CSIRO to exchange technical and management information in relation to optimising Australasia's involvement in the SKA; - fostering of, and access to industry roadmaps, and business to business, and business to government R&D collaborations; - being the principal effective channel for communicating with a range of industries, their supply chains, and SMEs; - exploration of the added non-astronomy benefits to Australasia from engagement with the SKA; and - participation in a key multi-party group having direct communication and influence with the SKA organisation.
World Wide Web Consortium (W3C)	Yes	7,636	The CSIRO hosts the Australian W3C office and receives a significant reimbursement for their hosting costs from W3C. Benefits from its membership of W3C include: - grants from W3C to bring prominent international speakers of relevance to the CSIRO at W3C sessions/conferences; - fostering of international research collaboration opportunities, such as W3C Semantic Sensor Network Incubator Group, which is helping to produce international standards for describing and integrating sensors and was co-led by the CSIRO; and - promotional opportunities (e.g. the CSIRO banner advertising) at either stand-alone W3C events or W3C sessions co-located with major IT industry events in Australia (e.g. the Web Directions Conference in Sydney that attracts close to 1000 delegates from the IT industry.

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Facility Management Association (FMA)	Yes	7,272	Membership to the FMA provides industry support to the CSIRO's professionals responsible for the strategic and operational management of the CSIRO's facilities nationally. Members participate in networking and professional development events which assist them in maintaining 'best practice' across the many sectors within the industry.
Australian Food and Grocery Council (AFGC)	Yes	7,000	Associate membership allows the CSIRO access to all AFGC industry meetings and executive forums as well as access to member only materials and industry information. Associate membership to the AFGC is therefore extremely beneficial to allow the CSIRO to fulfil its role in providing collaborative research solutions against the national challenges of food security, biosecurity, health, and industry competitiveness.
Omega-3 Centre	Yes	6,200	Membership covers subscription costs, and has also covered costs for attending some Omega-3 conferences where the CSIRO presented. Benefits include: • information sharing and access to latest developments; • provides access to literature surveys and other materials commissioned and paid for by the Centre; • provides enhanced ties with industry, including input to submissions; • enables input into key discussions relevant to the CSIRO R&D, Science Consensus meetings, Public Symposiums; and • provides a range of venues for updating industry, government and others on the CSIRO's R&D.
ACT Law Society	Yes	6,052	The ACT Law Society cost relates to the renewal of the ACT Legal Practising Certificates for seven CSIRO staff members.
Melbourne Mining Club	No	6,000	The CSIRO uses its engagement with the Melbourne Mining Club as a method of monitoring thought leadership in the minerals industry and developing research collaboration, commercialisation and industry relationships. The Mining Club provides one of the very few forums that bring together senior thought leaders from the banking and broking sector with representatives of the full minerals values chain. The CSIRO's sponsorship has allowed us to invite industry representatives and research agency representatives to target specific research and business opportunities as part of our broader business engagement strategy and strategic planning. Membership has allowed promotion of the CSIRO as a research leader supporting a sustainable Australian minerals sector at these events.

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Australia Publishers Association (APA)	Yes	5,328	Benefits from APA membership include: • access to industry information; • access to discounted training programs; • representation of the CSIRO's views on industry-related matters; • inclusion in the APA's Title Page database, a price & availability service supporting Australian booksellers, which facilitates sales of CSIRO PUBLISHING's products; and • networking opportunities with industry colleagues.
Research Australia Ltd	Yes	5,000	Provides the CSIRO's staff with access to data and publications such as the Research Australia Philanthropy Toolkit: Giving to Health & Medical research. There is an ongoing need for this membership as the data and information benefits assist with health strategy and planning.
Partnership for Observation of the Global Oceans	Yes	4,811	Joining specific research networks.
University of Queensland	Yes	4,406	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Team Australia Automotive	Yes	4,000	Joining specific research networks.
Chamber of Minerals & Energy of WA	Yes	3,856	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences. Joining specific research networks
Australian Corporate Lawyers Association	Yes	3,847	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies
Centre for Sustainability Leadership	Yes	3,500	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Animal Health Australia	Yes	3,465	Joining specific research networks.
Committee for Geelong	Yes	3,300	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers Secretariat (STM Secretariat)	Yes	3,262	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Geothermal Energy Association	Yes	3,000	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Clean Energy Council	Yes	2,850	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
International Initiative for a Sustainable Built Environment	Yes	2,768	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Great Barrier Reef Foundation	Yes	2,750	Joining specific research networks.

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Society of Petroleum Engineers	Yes	2,575	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australasian Industrial Research Group	Yes	2,522	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Plant Health Australia Limited	Yes	2,000	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
The Australian Photovoltaic (PV) Association	Yes	2,000	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Union of Forest Research Organisations	Yes	1,650	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
International Council for Scientific and Technical Information	Yes	1,610	Joining specific research networks
The Australian Private Equity & Venture Capital Association Limited	Yes	1,545	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
The Association of Learned and Professional Society Publishers	Yes	1,522	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies
Australian Industry Group	Yes	1,435	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Open DeviceNet Vendors Association	Yes	1,262	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Council of Heads of Australian Faunal Collections	Yes	1,200	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Food Safety Information Council	Yes	1,200	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Indian Ocean Global Ocean Observing System	Yes	1,013	Joining specific research networks.
Australian Paint Manufacturers' Federation	Yes	1,000	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Small Medium Enterprise (SME) Alliance	Yes	1,000	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
National Capital Attractions Association	Yes	950	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering	Yes	938	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.

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International Astronautical Federation	Yes	910	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Institute of Refrigeration Airconditioning and Heating	Yes	789	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
SAP Australian User Group	Yes	750	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Meteorological and Oceanographic Society	Yes	736	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Property Institute Inc	Yes	730	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
The New York Academy of Sciences	Yes	594	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Engineers Australia	Yes	592	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
The Intellectual Property Society of Australia and New Zealand Inc	Yes	577	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
American Society of Agricultural & Biological Engineers	Yes	553	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies. Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Society to Advance Alzheimer Research and Treatment	Yes	503	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
BioProcessing Network	Yes	500	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Steel Stewardship Forum	Yes	500	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Modbus Organisation	Yes	486	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
IP Australia	Yes	450	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
CPA Australia	Yes	431	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Society for Immunology	Yes	420	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Bat Society	Yes	413	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Institute of Materials Engineering Australasia Ltd	Yes	391	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Institute of Navigation	Yes	391	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.

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Asia Pacific Network of Science and Technology Centres (ASPAC)	Yes	383	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Meat Industry Council	Yes	350	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Society of Experimental Biology	Yes	337	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Association of Biosafety for Australia and New Zealand (ABSANZ)	Yes	336	To gain access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Association for Mineral Exploration British Columbia	Yes	332	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Marine Technology Society	Yes	324	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies. Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Laboratory Managers Association	Yes	318	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	Yes	313	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies. Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Society of Indoor Air Quality and Climate (ISIAQ)	Yes	312	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Labour and Employment Relations Association (ACT)	Yes	300	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Tasmania Maritime Network	Yes	300	Joining specific research networks.
Tasmanian Polar Network	Yes	300	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Earthquake Engineering Research Institute	Yes	295	Gaining access to survey data sets.
The Australian Computer Society	Yes	290	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Cardiac Rehabilitation Association	Yes	290	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Society of Behavioural Medicine	Yes	283	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Geological Society of London	Yes	279	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Society for Information Display	Yes	258	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.

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The Global Practitioners Network for Competitiveness, Clusters and Innovation (TCI Network)	Yes	255	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies and joining specific research networks.
Namoi Water	Yes	252	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Museums Australia	Yes	240	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
The Ecological Society of Australia Incorporated (ESA)	Yes	225	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Society of Soil Science Inc	Yes	209	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Royal Australian Chemical Institute	Yes	204	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Australian Prawn Farmers Association	Yes	200	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Yes	195	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Ecological Society of Germany, Austria and Switzerland	Yes	193	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Institute of Medicine	Yes	191	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
American Society of Photogrammetry & Remote Sensing	Yes	189	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
American Meteorological Society	Yes	182	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies. Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Public Health Association of Australia	Yes	181	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Powder Metallurgy Directory (IPMD) by Inovar Communications Ltd	Yes	179	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Society for Cell Therapy	Yes	178	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Metabolic, Immunologic, Neurologic, Digestive, Developmental Foundation	Yes	168	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
The Thoracic Society of Australia and New Zealand	Yes	168	Joining specific research networks.

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Australian Institute of Physics	Yes	163	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies and gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
The Institute of Patent & Trade Mark Attorneys of Australia	Yes	163	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Safety Institute of Australia	Yes	154	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Royal Automobile Association of SA	Yes	150	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Toy Association Ltd	Yes	143	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Society for Mining, Metallurgy and Exploration	Yes	127	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Royal Agricultural & Horticultural Society of South Australia	Yes	127	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Society of Plant Scientists	Yes	118	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies
International Association for Food Protection	Yes	116	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Institute of Office Professionals	Yes	109	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies and gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Geothermal Resources Council	Yes	105	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Diabetes Society	Yes	100	Joining specific research networks.
Cotton Classers Association of Australia (Oz cotton)	Yes	100	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Council of Heads of Australian Entomological Collections	Yes	100	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Farmlink Research Ltd	Yes	100	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Tasmanian Abalone Growers Association	Yes	100	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Association of Applied Geochemistry	Yes	99	Joining specific research networks.
EcoHealth Alliance	Yes	94	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Vet Poultry Association	Yes	90	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.

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The Museum of Flight	Yes	90	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australasian Epidemiological Association	Yes	86	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies and joining specific research network.
The Australian Mammal Society	Yes	86	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works	Yes	83	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Petroleum Exploration Society of Australia	Yes	80	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Yes	54	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
RSPCA	Yes	54	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Bankstown/Liverpool Safety Group	Yes	50	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Western Safety Group	Yes	45	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Canberra Society of Editors	Yes	45	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
Development Studies Association (United Kingdom)	Yes	44	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Australian Human Resource Institute	Yes	42	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Royal Association Of Justices Of South Australia Inc.	Yes	42	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Rural Press Club	Yes	40	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
International Society of Chemical Ecology	Yes	34	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
World Association of Copepodologists	Yes	30	Gaining access to professional societies or bodies.
The Society or Organic Petrology	Yes	22	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.
Royal National Capital Agricultural Association	Yes	20	Gaining access to industry and government networks, expertise, events and conferences.

*Intend to renew when current membership expires subject to an assessment that membership continues to provide value for money and provided benefits to the CSIRO.