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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Taxi Costs

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Bushby

QUESTION No.: SI-183

How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

What are the reasons for taxi costs?

ANSWER

Taxi costs at the department and agency level have been provided as a breakdown of taxi costs by business group would involve a significant diversion of departmental and agency resources. Please refer to AI-249 and BI-203 for costs for 1 July 2011 to 31 May 2012. Figures in the following table are for the period 1 June 2012 to 30 June 2012.

DEPARTMENT/AGENCY	1 JUNE 2012 TO 30 JUNE 2012 (GST EXCLUSIVE)	REASON FOR TAXI COSTS
Department of Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education	\$147,354	Business related travel
Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies	\$6,574	Business related travel
Australian Institute of Marine Science	\$9,073	Business related travel
Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation	\$2,252	Business related travel
Australian Research Council	\$1,429	Business related travel
Australian Skills Quality Authority	\$11,886	Business related travel
Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation	\$179,641	Business related travel
IP Australia	\$29,097	Business related travel
Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency	\$4,350	Business related travel