

**EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING**

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

**Outcome:** All  
**Output Group:** All

**DEST Question No. E342\_07**

Senator Wong provided in writing.

*Refers to DEST Question No. E863\_05 and E1012\_04*

**Question:**

Please provide an update of E863\_05.

How much was spent on consultancies by DEST in 1996-97, 1997-98, 1998-99, 1999-00, 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04 and 2004-05?

**Answer:**

*Consultancy expenses*

The amount spent on consultancies in 2004-05, as per the 2004-05 Annual Report, was \$15,562,000.00. The details for all preceding financial years are in E863\_05.

Please note that figures for 2005/2006 are being compiled and will appear in the 2005/2006 Annual Report.