

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
31 MAY AND 1 JUNE 2004**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Question Number: W130-05

Question:

Senator Ludwig asked in writing:

What was the total cost of those engagements by language for a) translators and b) interpreters in each of the following years i) 2001-02, ii) 2002-03, iii) 2003-04?

Answer:

Employee Entitlements Scheme

This information is not readily available

Workplace Relations Services

Refer to W128-05.

DEWR Customer Service Line

Refer to Attachment A

DEWR Employment Service Information Line

Refer to W128-05.

Personal Support Program

Refer to W127-05.

Job Network

Refer to W127-05.

DEWR Customer Service Line

(b) Interpreters

Annual Cost by Language

Language	Financial Year		
	2001-02 (\$)	2002-03 (\$)	2003-04 (\$)
Arabic	275.45	65.10	325.50
Amharic		674.80	
Bosnian	42.30		
Cantonese	309.05	260.40	217.00
Croatian	14.10		43.40
Dari	14.10		21.70
Greek			43.40
Italian			151.90
Japanese	34.70		
Kmer		21.70	108.50
Korean			21.70
Lao		65.10	
Macedonian			65.10
Mandarin	118.20	130.20	716.10
Persian	62.90		43.40
Polish			130.20
Russian	42.30	43.40	
Serbian	45.55	43.40	
Somali		674.80	
Spanish	52.05		303.80
Tigrinya		674.80	
Turkish	105.20	86.80	108.50
Vietnamese	401.25	434.00	737.80