

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission

Outcome/Program: Cross Portfolio

Topic: Hire Cars

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

How much did each department/agency spend on hire cars this financial year to date? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

What are the reasons for hire car costs?

Answer:

The spend on car hire at the Australian Public Service Commission for this financial year to date (31 January 2013) was \$13,447 (exclusive of GST). A breakdown of business areas spending for this period is displayed below:

Corporate and Executive	\$1,889
Workplace Relations	\$92
Client Engagement	\$2,904
Workforce Participation	\$241
Professional Development and Diversity Services	\$8,321

Vehicles are hired as ground transport, on a best value for money basis i.e. alternative to public transport and taxi, to enable officials to visit clients, attend meetings and other business activities away from their principal office. In one instance, a bus was hired to transport a group of officials on their overseas study tour for ground transport.