

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

Budget Estimates Hearings 2003-2004, 26-27 May 2003

**Question: PM 50**

**Outcome 1, Output 4.4**

**Topic: Wine Purchases**

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**Senator Faulkner asked: How many dozen wines were purchased in 2000-01, 2001-02 and so far this current year?**

**Answer:**

Year	Dozen Wines
2000-01	88
2001-02	134
2002-03	98

**Question: PM 51**

**Outcome 1, Output 4.4**

**Topic: Wine consultant**

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**Senator Faulkner asked: When was Stage 2 cancelled? (prior to August last year) Who made the decision to cancel Stage 2? Who told you (Mr Crane) that Stage 2 was cancelled?**

**Answer:** The department recommended cancellation of Stage 2 of the wine purchasing strategy in November 2002. The Prime Minister's Office agreed in December 2002.