

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

**Department of Finance and Administration**

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**Question: F26**

**Outcome: General, Output: General**

**Topic: Qantas travel arrangements**

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**Senator Sherry asked:**

What is the general discount you have managed to achieve as a result of the arrangement? (With Qantas Business Travel)

**Answer:**

A travel cluster of Australian Public Service agencies, known as the Participating Agencies Cluster, has been in operation since 1996. Finance has been a member of the cluster since 1 April 2003. In July 2002, following an open tender process, the cluster selected Qantas Airways and Qantas Business Travel as the preferred supplier of travel services.

The air travel discounts provided under the arrangement with Qantas Business Travel vary from route to route and with fare type and class of travel. This information is commercial in confidence and cannot be disclosed without the expressed prior written approval of Qantas Airways.