

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government

Budget Estimates 25 May 2011

Question: 105

Topic: Hospitality Spend

Asked By: Senator FIFIELD

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What is the Department's hospitality spend FYTD? Please detail date, location, purpose and cost of all events. Please detail any catering costs, listing the cost of food and beverages, and include a separate list of alcohol costs.

Answer:

Official hospitality costs 1 October 2010 to 30 May 2011 are:

Date	Location	Purpose	Cost \$ (GST excl)
17-Jan-11	Canberra	Post meeting dinner with representatives from the WA Government Department of Regional Development and Lands.	304.09
21-Feb-11	Canberra	Catering for meeting with Murray Darling Basin (MDB) stakeholders including members and staff of Regional Development Australia and MDB Community Consultative committee members.	769.10
02-Mar-11	Canberra	Post meeting dinner with Regional Development Australia and Regional Development Victoria chairs	293.82
16-Mar-11	Canberra	Post conference hospitality for delegates to Aged Care Services Australia Group (ACSAG)	261.36
13-Apr-11	Canberra	Local Government CEO Workshop	980.00
27-Apr-11	Melbourne	Policy Centre Round Table	1,118.04
TOTAL (GST excl)			3,726.41

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Note: Includes equipment hire, delivery, set up and pack up costs.

The Department has not incurred any official hospitality costs for alcohol during this period.