

**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**

**Supplementary Budget Estimates 17-20 October 2011**

**Question: 173**

**Topic: Travel Costs - Staff accompanying Minister - 2010-11**

**Asked By: Senator RYAN**

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For the year 2010-11, please provide the same information (itemised separately) for Departmental officers that accompanied the Minister and Parliamentary Secretary on their travel and include a similar breakdown of the costs incurred by or on behalf of those staff.

**Answer:**

Date	Destination	Costs	
7-8 December 2010	Toowoomba and Narrabri	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$180.00
		Meals	Nil
12 to 17 December 2010	Northern Territory and Western Australia	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$1,093.30
		Meals	\$231.50
13-14 December 2010	Darwin, Kununurra and Karratha	Fares	\$996.89
		Accommodation	\$479.00

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4 to 5 January 2011	Lockyer Valley, Gatton, Ipswich, and Amberley – accompanied the Minister to flood affected areas	Fares	\$1,151.59
		Accommodation	\$189.00
		Meals	\$28.00
		Other	Taxis \$151.30 Parking \$24.00
9 to 11 January 2011	Emerald and Bundaberg - accompanied the Minister to flood affected areas	Fares	\$515.38
		Accommodation	\$321.84
		Meals	Nil
		Other	Taxis \$32.14 Parking \$36.00
16 to 18 January 2011	Grafton and Maryborough - accompanied the Minister to flood affected areas	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$234.00
		Meals (incl. working breakfast and dinner with Mayor, local members and staff)	\$542.35
		Other	Parking \$16.50
1 to 4 February 2011	Christmas Island, Cocos (Keeling) Islands and Mildura	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$445.00
		Travel Allowance	\$439.05
		Other	Taxis \$104.89 Car Hire \$142.63
12 to 13 February 2011	Wagga Wagga, Bathurst and Dubbo	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$319.00
		Meals	\$45.50
		Other	Parking \$5.50
14 February 2011	Mildura	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on a Charter Aircraft
		Accommodation	Nil
		Meals	Nil

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14 to 16 February 2011	Norfolk Island	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft for some legs of the trip plus: 16 Feb 2011 - Sydney to Canberra \$257.39
		Accommodation	\$436
		Travel Allowance	\$366.39
		Other	Taxis \$63.11 Car Hire \$142.63
30 to 31 March 2011	Fremantle	Fares	\$3,158.83
		Accommodation	\$421.23
		Meals	Nil
		Other	Taxis \$34.85 Parking \$42.00
30 March to 01 April 2011	Fremantle	Fares	\$3,615.87
		Accommodation	\$432.49
		Meals	Nil
		Other	Taxi \$229.28
12 to 13 April 2011	Nowra, Merimbula and Melbourne	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft
		Accommodation	\$108.18
		Meals	\$158.50
		Other	Taxi \$30.63
16 to 18 May 2011	Geelong, Adelaide, Brisbane and Gatton	Fares	\$1,708.92
		Accommodation	\$814.28
		Meals	Nil
		Other	Taxi \$180.00 Car hire \$150.43
17 to 20 May 2011	Queensland	Fares	Travelled with the Minister on the Special Purpose Aircraft for some legs of the trip plus: 17 May 2011- Canberra to Brisbane \$664.72 19 May 2011- Rockhampton to Townsville \$440.15
		Accommodation	\$678.27
		Meals	\$148.90
		Other	Taxis \$ 44.00 Parking \$21.00