

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Topic: Internet

Senator: Senator Ryan

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Question:

Has the Department experienced any internet problems, such as but not limited to slow internet, or internet blackouts? If yes, what was the reason for this? Did it impact the Minister's office?

Answer:

From 1 July 2011 to 30 September 2012 there were five internet slowdowns or outages. These were caused by high volumes of internet traffic or technical changes. The Ministers' offices would have experienced these slowdowns or outages.