

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
Budget Estimates Hearing – October 2012
ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

Program 1: Support for the Governor-General and Official Activities

Outcome 1: The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

Topic: Taxi Costs 2011-12

Senator: Ryan

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Type of Question: Written

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How much did each department/agency spend on taxis in 2011-12? Provide a breakdown of each business group in each department/agency.

What are the reasons for taxi costs?

Answer:

In 2011-12, the Office spent \$22,924 on taxis, comprising \$17,939 for Executive and Protocol Branch, \$1,172 for Honours and Awards Branch and \$3,813 for Corporate Services Branch.

Taxis are primarily used by staff and Honorary Aides-de-Camp on official duty for the Office.