

Cost of Public Support for Former Office Holders

Actual expenditure for fiscal years 2013/14 and year to date 2014/15

The Department of Premier and Cabinet publishes the cost of public support for former office holders on its website every six months.

In May 2012 changes were announced to the public support provided to former office holders which has resulted in significant savings. The cost of former office holder support in the year prior to the announcement was \$1,600,000.

Former Office Holder	Period	Employee Related	Office Rent	Car Transport	Telephones	Other Office Costs	Total
Wran	2013/14	\$191,499	\$155,289	\$100	\$7,593	\$6,620	\$361,101
	2014/15	\$10,124	\$22,086	\$820	\$3,350	\$474	\$36,854
Greiner	2013/14	\$124,969	\$142,356	\$630	\$4,426	\$4,086	\$276,467
	2014/15	\$135,955	\$146,792	\$648	\$3,900	\$4,057	\$291,353
Fahey	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$20,825	\$424	\$0	\$21,249
	2014/15	\$0	\$0	\$22,988	\$519	\$0	\$23,507
Carr	2013/14	\$102,455	\$86,385	\$4,936	\$1,248	\$1,770	\$196,793
	2014/15	\$101,742	\$166,011	\$8,461	\$10,531	\$7,804	\$294,549
Unsworth	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$278	\$0	\$0	\$278
	2014/15	\$0	\$0	\$1,379	\$0	\$0	\$1,379
Bashir	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	2014/15	\$92,968	\$183,108	\$116,373	\$1,391	\$6,164	\$400,004
Former Governor ad hoc car transport	2013/14	\$0	\$0	\$551	\$0	\$0	\$551
	2014/15	\$0	\$0	\$995	\$0	\$0	\$995
Total	2013/14	\$418,923	\$384,029	\$27,319	\$13,691	\$12,476	\$856,439
	2014/15	\$340,790	\$517,996	\$151,664	\$19,691	\$18,500	\$1,048,641

Notes

- (a) Some costs incurred during 2013/14 were not brought to book until 2014/15 and were therefore included in the figures for 2014/15. If late invoices pertaining to 2014/15 are received post publication, these costs will be included in the first half of the 2015/16 costs of support for former office holders.
- (b) "Employee Related" includes staff salaries, pay-roll tax, employer superannuation contributions, other on-costs and expenditure on contractors.
- (c) "Office Rent" includes rent for office accommodation, cleaning services, utilities and car parking charges.
- (d) "Car Transport" includes taxis, hire car charges, vehicle lease costs, drivers' salaries and user pay charges as calculated by DPC's Transport Services.
- (e) "Other Office Costs" includes office equipment, computer expenses, newspapers, postage and stationery.
- (f) Mr Carr's office rent and telephone expenses in 2014/15 were higher than the previous year for reasons beyond the immediate control of Mr Carr.
- (g) Mr Greiner pays a rental contribution of \$23,000 per annum, indexed by CPI.
- (h) Public support arrangements for Professor Dame Marie Bashir commenced upon her retirement as Governor in October 2014 and include an office, secretarial support and a full-time car and driver for official functions.
- (i) 'Former Governors car transport' includes car transport for Lady Cutler, Sir Lawrence Street and Rear Admiral Sinclair to and from official functions.
- (j) Following Mr Wran's death (20 April 2014), the office for the former Premier remained open for a transitional period of approximately twelve weeks, allowing the office to be closed in an orderly manner.