

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT AND AGENCIES, CLEANING COSTS

1838. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for the Environment

I refer the Minister to a survey on cleaning and security costs, showing an increase of 18.7% between the 2000/2001 costs and the 2002/2003 costs, conducted by the Property Council of Australia, released on 9 July 2003, and ask for each department and agency within the Minister's portfolio -

- (a) what were the cleaning costs for the financial year 2000/2001;
- (b) what were the cleaning costs for the financial year 2001/2002;
- (c) what were the cleaning costs for the financial year 2002/2003;
- (d) in which area is cleaning carried out by contract or 'in house' cleaners; and
- (e) if cleaning is carried out 'in house', what date did 'in house' cleaners commence?

Dr J.M. EDWARDS replied:

Department of Conservation and Land Management

- (a) \$318,805.86
- (b) \$350,965.66
- (c) \$391,146.92
- (d) Cleaning of major metropolitan and country offices is carried out by contractors. Cleaning of visitor facilities in remote national parks has always been carried out by park staff as part of their duties.
- (e) Not applicable

Department of Environmental Protection; Water and Rivers Commission

- (a) \$168,517 pa
- (b) \$179,807 pa
- (c) \$184,382 pa
- (d)-(e) Cleaning of departmental accommodation is coordinated by the relevant Building Management, with the exception of the Denmark & Busselton offices, where departmental staff clean the premises themselves.

Office of Water Regulation

- (a) \$4,247.15
- (b) \$4,599
- (c) \$4856.91
- (d)-(e) Cleaning of departmental accommodation is coordinated by the relevant Building Management.

Perth Zoo

- (a) \$82,958
- (b) \$93,833
- (c) \$110,934
- (d) Public toilet cleaning is performed in-house. General office and building cleaning is performed by contract cleaners.
- (e) In-house cleaning of public toilets commenced 25 November 2002.

Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority

These figures relate to cleaning costs for offices and toilets (including public facilities)

- (a) \$58,564
- (b) \$54,022
- (c) \$70,005
- (d) All cleaning is done through external providers.
- (e) Not applicable.