

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, EXPENDITURE ON POSTAGE, AUDITING

2574. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for State Development

For each Department and agency under the control of the Minister, including the Ministerial office -

- (a) what was the monthly expenditure on postage for each of the financial years 2001/2002, 2002/2003 and for each month, to date, of the current financial year;
- (b) what was the value of stamps purchased;
- (c) what was the value of 'franked' items posted; and
- (d) when was the last time that postage expenditure was audited?

Mr C.M. BROWN replied:

I am advised:

Ministerial Office

(a)-(d) Please refer to the response provided by the Premier for question on notice 2567 of 2 March 2004.

Department of Industry and Resources

(a)	2001/2002	2002/2003	2003/2004
Jul	820	12,503	11,104
Aug	19,001	8,100	15,331
Sept	9,326	16,531	11,794
Oct	10,072	16,945	13,951
Nov	13,489	15,526	12,351
Dec	1,012	9,042	7,034
Jan	15,046	8,693	2,560
Feb	14,541	6,662	20,629
Mar	9,233	4,516	4,564
Apr	8,634	19,740	18,856
May	9,056	15,023	-
Jun	15,855	24,274	-
TOTAL	126,085	157,554	118,173

- (b)-(c) All mail is processed by MailWest. Therefore no stamps or franking is required.
- (d) There is no record of a specific audit of postage as it is relatively low in value and risk. However, all expenditure is audited annually.