

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, QANTAS CLUB OR OTHER AIRLINE
 MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS

1988. Mrs C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for State Development

- (1) What are the full names and classifications of all officers who have Qantas Club memberships, or other Airline membership programs paid for by the taxpayer within your portfolio for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (2) What are the amounts paid for each of the officers for the financial years 2001/2002 and/or 2002/2003?
- (3) Will the Minister table the policy document in respect to the entitlement for an airline membership?
- (4) If not, why not?
- (5) Will the Minister provide the full names and classifications of all officers who have an entitlement to fly business class?

Mr C.M. BROWN replied:

I am advised:

The Department of Industry and Resources has calculated the expenditure on airline membership programs since the election of the current Labor Government and a similar period under the former Coalition Government. The calculations reveal:

	Expenditure
Labor	\$ 7,316
Liberal/National	\$11,381

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Person	Classification	Airline Program	Amount Paid 2001/02 & 2002/03 \$
Michael Ashford	Level 7	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Nick Power	Level 6	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Paul Houghton	Level 9 (Acting)	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Bruce Robins	Level 8	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	167
Kevin Strapp	Level 8	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Mark Stevens	Level 7	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	530
Nigel Chartres	Level 9	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Rod Alderton	Level 9 (Acting)	Ansett Golden Wing Lounge	172
Malcolm Russell	Class 1	Qantas Lounge	869
Rod Evans	Class 1	Qantas Lounge	984
Richard Bilman	Level 7	Qantas Lounge	325
Brett Chisholm	Level 6	Qantas Lounge	185
Bruce Robins	Level 8	Qantas Lounge	465
Bruce Simpson	Level 7	Qantas Lounge	177
David Parkinson	Level 6	Qantas Lounge	340
Garry Clarke	Level 7 (Acting)	Qantas Lounge	185
Lesley Smith	Level 9	Qantas Lounge	264
Paul Mercer	Level 6	Qantas Lounge	340
Paulo Amaranti	Class 1 (Acting)	Qantas Lounge	185
Rob Parker	Level 7	Qantas Lounge	340
Scott Hollingworth	Level 9 (Acting)	Qantas Lounge	558
Simon Johnson	Level 8	Qantas Lounge	185
Terry Brown	Level 6	Qantas Lounge	185
Jim Limerick	Group 4	Qantas Lounge	See Note 1
Noel Ashcroft	Class 2	Qantas Lounge	See Note 2
TOTAL			\$7,316

Note 1: Purchased with Frequent Flyer points.

Note 2: Five-year membership purchased in 2000.

- (3) Travel by Ministers and officers is undertaken in accordance with the Guidelines for Official Travel by Ministers and Government Officers, contained in Premier's Circular 14/01. A copy of the Circular is tabled for the Member's information.
- In particular, Part 9 stipulates that Chief Executive Officers are responsible for determining whether to meet the cost of Government officers joining or maintaining membership of airline lounge facilities, frequent flyer schemes or similar services, and suggests some considerations relevant to the CEO's decision.
- (4) Not applicable.
- (5) Part 4 of the Guidelines for Official Travel by Ministers and Government Officers states that Economy Class will be used for all official domestic and overseas travel, with the exceptions set out in 4.2.