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Question 1

Please provide regional unemployment rates for 2014-15, 2015-16 and 2016-17 (year to date) for Ballarat, Bendigo and Geelong.

Response

Employment summaries by region (as of Secretaries PAEC hearing on 14-Feb 2017¹)

Regional employment summary²

Unemployment rate	FY 2016-17 YTD	FY 2015-16	FY 2014-15
Ballarat	4.4%	6.5%	5.0%
Change since previous year	-2.1% pts	1.5% pts	0.7% pts
Bendigo	2.7%	6.9%	6.6%
Change since previous year	-4.2% pts	0.3% pts	0.1% pts
Geelong	5.9%	5.4 %	7.5%
Change since previous year	0.4% pts	-2.1% pts	1.8% pts

1. Updated regional labour market data was released on 23-Feb 2017. This has not been reflected in the FY2016-17 YTD calculations.
2. Annual averages used except for FY 2016-17 which was calculated as an average from July 2016 to December 2016.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics Cat no. 6291.0.55.001

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Question 2 & 3

With respect to the Automotive Transition Plan, please advise:

- a. how many automotive companies have been successful in application for funding?
- b. what percentage of applicants were successful?

Please also advise, for the four identified areas: Melbourne's north, south east, west and the Geelong region:

- a. how much investment has been made in each region?
- b. how many new jobs have been created in each region?

Response

During the 2015-16 financial year, 28 automotive companies applied for funding under the Automotive Supply Chain Transition Program (ASCTP). Of these, 11 applications were awarded funding in the 2015-16 financial year. All of the remaining 17 applications submitted in 2015-16 were awarded funding in 2016-17.

The funding breakdown for ASCTP by region is:

- \$16,000 in Melbourne's north
- \$80,000 in Melbourne's south east
- \$55,000 in Melbourne's west
- \$10,000 in the Geelong region.

Job creation is not measured for ASCTP projects.

As at 30 June 2016, no automotive companies had applied for funding under the Local Industry Fund for Transition (LIFT). One grant was approved in 2015-16 for a general manufacturing project in Melbourne's south-east, which is expected to lead to ten new jobs. Funding was not awarded under LIFT to projects in the three other regions during the 2015-16 financial year.

New approvals under LIFT and ASCTP are being made in 2016-17.

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Question 4

Regarding the examination of country of origin food labelling laws please:

- a. provide a description of what has been achieved so far, and if the project did not go ahead, please provide an explanation for why not
- b. advise whether the investigation is being done internally or if external consultants are being used. If consultants were used what was the cost?
- c. are funds used for this investigation new or are they reprioritised from other sources

Response A

The Department of Economic, Development, Jobs, Transport and Resources commenced work on country of origin labelling in 2015. The work includes:

- surveying fruit and vegetable retailers to understand their compliance with labelling requirements and barriers to compliance
- working with Victorian industry bodies to raise awareness of the new country of origin labelling framework, noting the changes to the country of origin labelling requirements agreed to in 2016
- working with the Commonwealth Government to design and deliver workshops to inform industry on their obligations under the new framework.

Response B

DEDJTR engaged a policy officer to manage the project. DEDJTR also engaged a contractor to survey of fruit and vegetable retailers and report on compliance barriers. The cost of this contract was \$51,818 (incl. GST).

Response C

The 2015-16 budget allocated funding of \$600,000 to DEDJTR over two financial years (\$300,000 each year for 2014-15 and 2015-16).

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Question 5

Please provide a full list of EBAs that were negotiated during 2015-16, including:

- a. wage increases that resulted
- b. other costs associated with the agreements.

Response

The following 40 enterprise bargaining agreements were finalised and approved by Government in 2015-16 (37 minor agreements and 3 major agreements):

Name of Agreement	Annual Salary Increases (%)
Victorian Public Service Enterprise Agreement 2016	1 January 2016 – 1.75 1 July 2016 – 1.5 1 January 2017 – 1.75 1 July 2017 – 1.5 1 January 2018 – 1.75 1 July 2018 – 1.5 1 January 2019 – 1.75 1 July 2019 – 1.5
Victoria Police (Police Officers (Excluding Commanders), Protective Services Officers, Police Reservists and Police Recruits) Enterprise Agreement 2015	1 December 2015 – 1.5 1 July 2016 – 1.25 1 July 2017 – 2.75 1 July 2018 – 2.75 1 July 2019 – 3.75
Victorian Public Sector Nurses and Midwives Enterprise Agreement 2016-2020	1 April 2016 – 3 1 April 2017 – 3 1 April 2018 – 3.25 1 April 2019 – 9 1 December 2020 – 3 1 December 2021 – 3 1 December 2022 – 3
Melbourne and Olympic Parks Trust Maintenance and Horticulture Enterprise Agreement 2014-17	3 November 2014 – 2.5 1 July 2015 – 2.75 1 July 2016 – 2.75
Bendigo Kangan Institute PACCT Staff Enterprise Agreement 2015	29 April 2015 – 2.5 29 April 2016 – 2.5
Goulburn-Murray Rural Water Corporation Enterprise Agreement 2014	1 May 2015 – 3 1 May 2016 – 3 1 May 2017 – 3
Lower Murray Urban and Rural Water Corporation Enterprise Agreement 2015	11 July 2015 – 3 1 July 2016 – 3 1 July 2017 – 3
Royal Botanic Gardens Enterprise Agreement 2014	1 November 2014 – 2.35 1 May 2015 – 1.5 1 November 2015 – 1.5 1 May 2016 – 1.5 1 November 2016 – 2.15

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Name of Agreement	Annual Salary Increases (%)
AMES Australia (AMES) Teachers' Enterprise Agreement 2015	8 May 2015 – 2.5 8 May 2016 – 2.5 8 May 2017 – 2.5
Corangamite Catchment Management Authority Workplace Agreement 2014-2017	11 June 2015 – 2.35 5 December 2015 – 2.5 5 December 2016 – 2.5
Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust Enterprise Agreement 2014	30 October 2015 – 3 30 October 2016 – 3 30 October 2017 – 3 30 October 2018 – 3.25
Metropolitan Fire Brigade, AMWU Mechanical Engineering Workshops Enterprise Agreement 2015	1 October 2015 – 3 1 July 2016 – 3 1 July 2017 – 3 1 July 2018 – 3
State Sport Centres Trust Enterprise Agreement 2015-2019	4 October 2015 – 2.5 1 October 2016 – 2.5 1 October 2017 – 2.5 1 October 2018 – 2.5
Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water Enterprise Agreement 2015	15 July 2015 – 3 15 July 2016 – 3 15 July 2017 – 3
Wimmera Catchment Management Authority Enterprise Agreement 2015-19	6 August 2015 – 2.5 6 August 2016 – 2.5 6 August 2017 – 2.5 6 August 2018 – 2.5
Remembrance Parks Central Victoria Enterprise Agreement 2015-2018	15 October 2015 – 3.5 15 October 2016 – 2.5 15 October 2017 – 2.5
Federation Training, Chadstone Trainers Agreement 2015	25 September 2015 – 2.5 25 September 2016 – 2.5 25 September 2017 – 2.5 25 September 2018 – 2.5
Emergency Services Telecommunications Authority Operational Employees Enterprise Agreement 2015	30 October 2015 – 3.19 30 October 2016 – 3.04 30 October 2017 – 3.04
Places Victoria Enterprise Agreement 2016	16 January 2016 – 2.5 1 July 2016 – 2.5 1 July 2017 – 2.5 1 July 2018 – 2.5
Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust Enterprise Agreement 2016	1 November 2015 – 2.5
West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Enterprise Agreement 2015	12 November 2015 – 3 12 November 2016 – 3 12 November 2017 – 3 12 November 2018 – 3
Energy Safe Victoria Enterprise Agreement 2015	4 September 2015 – 3 1 July 2016 – 3 1 July 2017 – 3 1 July 2018 – 3

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Name of Agreement	Annual Salary Increases (%)
Gippsland Water Authority Enterprise Agreement 2015	23 December 2015 – 3 13 October 2016 – 3 13 October 2017 – 3 13 October 2018 – 3
North East Water Enterprise Agreement 2015	31 August 2015 – 3 31 August 2016 – 3 31 August 2017 – 3
Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre Enterprise Agreement 2015	10 December 2015 – 3 1 January 2017 – 3 1 January 2018 – 3
Melbourne Polytechnic Professional Administrative Clerical Computing and Technical Staff Agreement 2016	1 May 2015 – 2.5 1 May 2016 – 2.5 1 May 2017 – 2.5 1 May 2018 – 2.5
Barwon Water Enterprise Agreement 2015	30 November 2015 – 3.25 21 November 2016 – 3.25
West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority Enterprise Agreement 2015	22 October 2015 – 2.5 22 October 2016 – 2.5
Zoos Victoria Keepers, Veterinary Nurses, Horticulturists, and Ground staff Enterprise Agreement 2015	18 December 2015 – 3.45 1 July 2016 – 3.2 1 July 2017 – 3.2
Zoos Victoria Salaried Staff Agreement 2015	21 December 2015 – 3.25 1 July 2016 – 3.25 1 July 2017 – 3.25
Victoria Police (Commanders) Enterprise Agreement 2015	1 December 2015 – 1.5 1 July 2016 – 1.25 1 July 2017 – 2.75 1 July 2018 – 2.75 1 July 2019 – 3.75
North East Catchment Management Authority Enterprise Agreement 2015	27 November 2015 – 3 27 November 2016 – 3 27 November 2017 – 3 27 November 2018 – 3
Chisholm Institute Professional Staff Enterprise Agreement 2015	23 December 2015 – 2.5 23 December 2016 – 2.5
VicRoads EA8	11 February 2016 – 3.25 20 December 2016 – 1.75 20 June 2017 – 1.5 20 December 2017 – 1.5 20 June 2018 – 1.5 20 December 2018 – 1.75 20 June 2019 – 1.5
William Angliss Institute of TAFE PACCT Staff Enterprise Agreement 2015	22 October 2015 – 2.5 22 October 2016 – 2.5
Mt Buller and Mt Stirling Alpine Resort Management Board Enterprise Agreement 2015-2019	19 January 2016 – 2.5 16 August 2016 – 2.5 1 November 2017 – 2.5 1 November 2018 -2.5

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Name of Agreement	Annual Salary Increases (%)
Victorian Building Authority Enterprise Agreement 2016	2 May 2016 – 3.25 1 July 2016 - 1.5 1 January 2017 - 1.75 1 July 2017 - 1.5 1 January 2018 - 1.75 1 July 2018 - 1.5 1 January 2019 - 1.75 1 July 2019 - 1.5
Goulburn Ovens Institute of TAFE Enterprise (PACCT) Agreement 2015	22 October 2015 – 2.5 22 October 2016 – 2.5
Public Transport Victoria Enterprise Agreement 2016	25 March 2016 - 3.276 1 January 2017 - 1.75 1 July 2017 - 1.5 1 January 2018 – 1.75 1 July 2018 – 1.5 1 January 2019 – 1.75 1 July 2019 – 1.5
Driver Education Centre of Australia (DECA) Ltd Enterprise Agreement 2015	4 December 2015 -2.5 4 December 2016 – 2.5

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Question 6

Please advise:

- a. the gender composition of employment in infrastructure, in particular the infrastructure projects that the state is engaging in
- ~~b. information on female employment in the international education sector (no longer required)~~
- c. the overall employment growth resulting from state infrastructure projects that were commenced in 2015-16
- d. the number of construction and ongoing jobs created from the Euroa saleyards, Wangaratta saleyards, the Ballarat station redevelopment and the Eureka sports stadium.
- e. The proportion of women in graduate programs engaged in state infrastructure projects

Response A

The gender composition of employees engaged by the government within the Level Crossing Removal Authority and Melbourne Metro Rail Authority as at December 2016 was:

Melbourne Metro Rail Authority: 108 women to 119 men

Level Crossing Removal Authority: 98 women to 154 men

Response B

~~Response no longer required as per email sent by Caroline Williams (Executive Officer - PAEC) to Kim Bingham (DEDJTR PAEC Project Coordinator) and Kathleen Hurley (Senior Research Officer - PAEC) on 1 March 2017 at 1:31pm.~~

Response C

State infrastructure projects in Coordinator-General portfolio active in 2015-16:

Metro Tunnel: 4,700 jobs

Level Crossing Removal Project: 4,500 jobs

Mernda Rail Extension: up to 3,000 jobs

Western Distributor: 5,600 jobs

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Response D

The number of jobs expected to be created by projects at Euroa saleyards, Wangaratta saleyards, redevelopment of Ballarat station and Eureka sports stadium, are:

	Construction	Ongoing	Total
Euroa saleyards	4	18	22
Wangaratta saleyards	35	0	35
Ballarat station redevelopment	130	30	160
Eureka sports stadium	34	38	72

Response E

The proportion of women in graduate programs engaged by the Melbourne Metro Rail Authority is 14/26 (54%).

The proportion of women in graduate programs engaged by the Level Crossing Removal Authority is 6/23 (26%).

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Question 7

Please explain:

- a. the reduction in budget for tourism and major events between 2014-15 and 2015-16, and whether the funds have been reallocated to other related areas or whether there were actually reductions in programs within that field.
- b. Mr Hanney advised the Committee that 'some of the events funding sits within Treasury so it is the timing of the drawdown of the payments of those funds'. Can you please explain this process?

Response A

The variance between the 2014-15 actual figure of \$182.1 million and the 2015-16 actual figure of \$159.4 million was due to the reallocation of funding programs from Tourism and Major Events to Employment and Investment as part of the establishment of the Premier's Jobs and Investment Fund.

The Premier's Jobs and Investment Fund, in turn, allocated funding to a series of Tourism and Major Events initiatives such as the Business Events Fund, funding for the Melbourne Food and Wine Festival, funding for Melbourne Marketing, Regional Tourism, International Engagement, China Strategy and Air Services Attraction.

Response B

In Tourism and Major Events, budget figures are set before funding arrangements for major events are finalised. For this reason, not all funding for major events is included in the budget figure.

Funding for major events is held centrally by DTF until contractual arrangements are finalised. Once arrangements are finalised, the funding is transferred from DTF to DEDJTR and is added to the actual figure for the year. This results in a variation between the budget figure and the actual figure.

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Question 8

Please provide a list of the airlines attracted through the air services attraction project in 2015-16.

Response

In 2015-16, two airlines were supported by the State Government to commence new international services to and from Victoria. The two airlines were China Airlines and Scoot.

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Question 9

With regard to the Night Network please provide:

- a. results from the three surveys of actual usage over the full weekend that have been undertaken
- b. PSO numbers employed during Night Network hours.
- c. The average cost for a Sunday morning shift for a metro station, including all costs

Response A

- Patronage for Night Train, Night Trams and Night Bus is estimated by applying a touch-on rate to myki ticket transactions (touch-ons). Night Coach patronage is obtained via driver counts.
- Aside from fare evading, there are many reasons why there is not a myki ticket transaction for every boarding, including myki device availability, already travelling on an activated myki and travelling in the free tram zone.
- Touch-on rates are determined through surveys which are conducted at a stratified, random sample of times and locations across the network. These surveys are not designed to provide a full count of actual usage.
- At the start of the trial, Night Network times and locations were specifically sampled to enable estimation of Night Network patronage from myki ticket transactions.
- Night Network operating hours are 1am to 5am on Friday night (Saturday morning) and 1am to 7am on Saturday night (Sunday morning). These hours reflect the approximate gap between services in 2015 and have been used for the following patronage estimates.
- Patronage was higher during the warmer months (Feb-Mar 2016) with more than 36,000 trips each weekend. On more than one occasion, trips were in excess of 40,000.
- Patronage was lower during the winter months with just under 29,000 each weekend.
- The average weekly patronage during the Night Network trial was 32,400.
- Just under 1.7 million trips were taken on services during Night Network hours during the period of the trial (2016 calendar year).

Table 1 –Night Network patronage estimates – summary statistics for 2016

Mode	Average for 2016*	Percentage of Night Network patronage
Night Train	18,600	57%
Night Tram	12,400	38%
Night Bus	1,200	4%
Night Coach	200	1%
Total	32,400	100%

* rounded to the nearest 100

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Figure 1 –Night Network patronage estimates – weekly breakdown for 2016

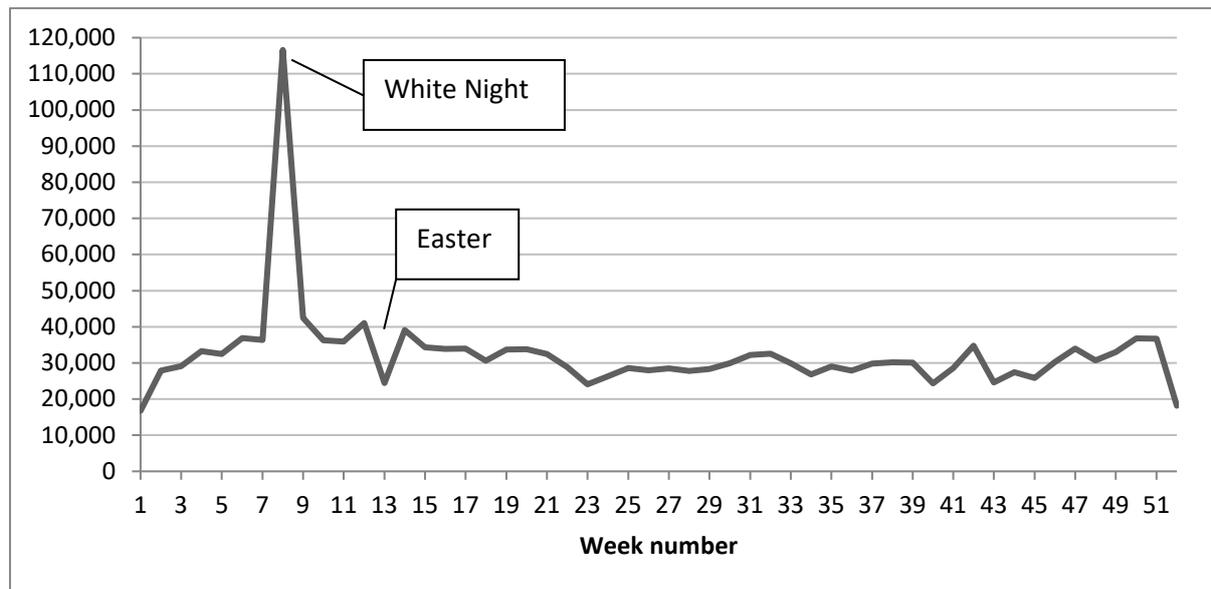


Table 2 – Night Network patronage estimates – weekly breakdown by mode for 2016

Week	Saturday (Date)	Sunday (Date)	Night Train	Night Tram	Night Bus	Night Coach	Total
1	2/01/2016	3/01/2016	8,463	7,491	733	68	16,755
2	9/01/2016	10/01/2016	14,450	12,157	1,182	87	27,876
3	16/01/2016	17/01/2016	15,626	12,056	1,298	89	29,069
4	23/01/2016	24/01/2016	16,816	14,899	1,391	152	33,258
5	30/01/2016	31/01/2016	16,904	14,191	1,199	215	32,510
6	6/02/2016	7/02/2016	16,733	18,362	1,613	194	36,902
7	13/02/2016	14/02/2016	18,190	16,924	1,115	161	36,389
8	20/02/2016	21/02/2016	66,727	47,530	1,823	528	116,608
9	27/02/2016	28/02/2016	20,196	20,318	1,728	172	42,413
10	5/03/2016	6/03/2016	20,767	14,025	1,298	162	36,252
11	12/03/2016	13/03/2016	21,470	13,076	1,192	170	35,908
12	19/03/2016	20/03/2016	26,348	13,119	1,399	127	40,993
13	26/03/2016	27/03/2016	15,478	7,722	1,039	180	24,419
14	2/04/2016	3/04/2016	24,937	12,652	1,304	179	39,072
15	9/04/2016	10/04/2016	20,242	12,606	1,299	164	34,311

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Week	Saturday (Date)	Sunday (Date)	Night Train	Night Tram	Night Bus	Night Coach	Total
16	16/04/2016	17/04/2016	19,261	13,044	1,386	164	33,856
17	23/04/2016	24/04/2016	20,228	12,369	1,186	145	33,928
18	30/04/2016	1/05/2016	17,291	11,547	1,592	153	30,583
19	7/05/2016	8/05/2016	19,850	12,208	1,432	178	33,668
20	14/05/2016	15/05/2016	19,928	12,323	1,400	153	33,804
21	21/05/2016	22/05/2016	18,140	12,788	1,348	179	32,455
22	28/05/2016	29/05/2016	17,084	10,356	1,239	171	28,850
23	4/06/2016	5/06/2016	14,080	8,902	977	135	24,094
24	11/06/2016	12/06/2016	14,945	9,868	1,310	155	26,279
25	18/06/2016	19/06/2016	16,870	10,301	1,233	180	28,585
26	25/06/2016	26/06/2016	16,566	10,053	1,151	154	27,924
27	2/07/2016	3/07/2016	17,048	10,102	1,216	155	28,522
28	9/07/2016	10/07/2016	16,196	10,434	1,023	164	27,818
29	16/07/2016	17/07/2016	16,426	10,719	1,005	147	28,298
30	23/07/2016	24/07/2016	18,278	10,500	1,008	145	29,932
31	30/07/2016	31/07/2016	19,087	11,980	957	142	32,166
32	6/08/2016	7/08/2016	18,367	12,684	1,318	177	32,546
33	13/08/2016	14/08/2016	17,401	11,198	1,167	154	29,920
34	20/08/2016	21/08/2016	14,966	10,416	1,305	116	26,804
35	27/08/2016	28/08/2016	17,205	10,578	1,075	168	29,027
36	3/09/2016	4/09/2016	16,284	10,292	1,161	164	27,902
37	10/09/2016	11/09/2016	17,402	10,988	1,258	198	29,845
38	17/09/2016	18/09/2016	18,078	10,783	1,117	166	30,144
39	24/09/2016	25/09/2016	17,847	10,866	1,200	147	30,060
40	1/10/2016	2/10/2016	14,687	8,579	879	182	24,327
41	8/10/2016	9/10/2016	16,629	10,650	1,151	186	28,616
42	15/10/2016	16/10/2016	20,899	12,534	1,146	152	34,731
43	22/10/2016	23/10/2016	14,149	9,410	875	178	24,612

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Week	Saturday (Date)	Sunday (Date)	Night Train	Night Tram	Night Bus	Night Coach	Total
44	29/10/2016	30/10/2016	16,094	10,186	993	124	27,396
45	5/11/2016	6/11/2016	14,718	9,886	1,020	175	25,799
46	12/11/2016	13/11/2016	17,759	11,034	1,310	167	30,270
47	19/11/2016	20/11/2016	20,515	12,124	1,118	183	33,940
48	26/11/2016	27/11/2016	18,297	11,071	1,082	207	30,657
49	3/12/2016	4/12/2016	19,311	12,401	1,129	189	33,030
50	10/12/2016	11/12/2016	21,305	14,034	1,157	268	36,763
51	17/12/2016	18/12/2016	20,802	14,143	1,526	278	36,749
52	24/12/2016	25/12/2016	10,575	6,730	709	109	18,123
Average			18,614	12,408	1,207	170	32,399
Percentage			57%	38%	4%	1%	100%

Response B

On a typical night, there are approximately 156 PSOs on duty during Night Network hours.

Response C

Shifts for station officers working overnight on Friday and Saturday nights can vary in length between four and 11 hours.

Based on an average 10 hour shift, the average cost for a Saturday night/Sunday morning shift is approximately \$720 inclusive of on costs.

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Question 10

Please disaggregate food and fibre exports for 2014-15 and 2015-16. Of fibre exports, what percentage were woodchips?

Response

In 2015-16, Victorian food and fibre exports were valued at \$11.9 billion.

Total food exports from Victoria were valued at \$8.6 billion and fibre exports were valued at \$3.3 billion. Since 2013-14, the Australian Bureau of Statistics has applied confidentiality restrictions to the majority of its state-level wood chip export data.

In 2015-16, the limited state-level data published reported wood chip export figures for Victoria around \$37 million, or 1 per cent of fibre exports. (Noting some woodchip exports are not quantifiable because of confidentiality restrictions).

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Question 11

For the *Sustainably Manage Fish, Game and Forest Resources* output, please list which projects were unfinished from 2014-15, requiring money to be spent in 2015-16. Was any money given to Australian Paper?

Response

The correct figure for projects carried over from 2014-15 to 2015-16 was \$3.09 million.

Projects were in relation to the following areas:

- East Gippsland timber industry transition
- Funding from external industry bodies (non-appropriation) for delivery of fee for service fisheries science projects
- Levies collected from licence holders for disbursement to the commercial fishing industry representative body
- External funding (non-appropriation) from Fisheries Research and Development Corporation for delivery of fee for service fisheries science projects
- Fisheries commercial cost recovery revenue
- Recreational fishing infrastructure and facilities projects
- Fisheries information technology projects.

No money was given to Australian Paper.

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Question 12 & 13

For the Future Industries Fund, please advise what funds have been allocated by initiative, as well to the following sectors, and what jobs have resulted from these funds allocations:

- a. food and fibre
- b. international education
- c. medical technologies and pharmaceuticals
- d. new energy technologies
- e. professional services
- f. defence technologies
- g. construction technologies
- h. transport technologies sector.

What is the breakdown of jobs by initiative and sector that has resulted from these funds allocations?

Response

The 2015-16 Budget allocated \$200 million to the Future Industries Fund.

The Operational Infrastructure Support Program was allocated \$105.7 million, which is administered by the Department of Health and Human Services.

The New Energy Jobs Fund was allocated \$20 million and was launched in December 2015 (see Budget Paper No. 3 2015-16, pages 3 and 19). Round one of the New Energy Jobs Fund closed for applications on 16 March 2016. As at 30 June 2016, 24 projects had been approved for a total of \$5.88 million of grant funding. These projects are expected to create approximately 50 direct jobs.

The Future Industries Manufacturing Program was allocated \$5 million, and launched in October 2016. As at 30 June 2016, four projects were announced for a total of \$682,381 of grant funding.

FIMP	Financial Year 2015-16	
Project Sector	Expected New Jobs (FTE)	Funding Announced
Construction Technologies	15	195,247
Food and Fibre	0	\$79,670*
Transport Technologies	5	42,464
Med Tech/Pharmaceuticals	15	365,000
Grand Total	35	682,381

*This project was supported on the basis of new exports and higher value employment being generated for existing workers at the recipient business.

The Sector Growth Program was allocated \$20 million, which was launched in March 2016. As at 30 June 2016, no funds had been allocated from this program.

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As at 30 June 2016, the only sector specific funding allocation was \$10 million to the Medical Technologies and Pharmaceuticals sector, to support the establishment of BioCurate.

A number of other Future Industries initiatives outlined during the 14 February 2017 Public Accounts and Estimates hearing were established in the 2016-17 financial year.

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Question 14

For each of the 18 existing and three new overseas offices, please advise

- a. annual operating expenditure for 2015-16 by expense category for each of the offices
- b. the total costs of these offices for 2015-16
- c. the proportion of total costs for 2015-16 that are attributable to public sector wages.

Response A

Total expenditure by category:

Category	\$m
SALARIES	7.038
ON-COSTS	1.577
ACCOMMODATION EXPENSES	3.279
TRAVEL & RELATED EXPENSES	0.877
OTHER OPERATING	2.712
CAC and DEPRECIATION	0.944
Total	16.428

Expenditure by office by category cannot be provided, as the data set would reveal commercial in confidence information by identifying individual salaries.

Response B

The total operating cost of the 18 VGBO offices existing at 30 June 2016 was \$16.428 million.

Total cost of each office:

Office	\$m
BANGALORE OFFICE	0.745
BEIJING OFFICE	0.529
CHENGDU OFFICE	0.119
CHICAGO OFFICE	0.225
DUBAI OFFICE	2.010
FRANKFURT OFFICE	0.366
HONG KONG OFFICE	0.647
ISTANBUL OFFICE	0.024
JAKARTA OFFICE	1.611
KUALA LUMPUR OFFICE	0.839
LONDON OFFICE	2.178
MUMBAI OFFICE	0.249
NANJING OFFICE	0.168

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Office	\$m
NEW YORK OFFICE	0.441
SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE	2.288
SANTIAGO OFFICE	0.005
SEOUL OFFICE	0.586
SHANGHAI OFFICE	1.826
SINGAPORE OFFICE	0.029
TOKYO OFFICE	1.336
WASHINGTON OFFICE	0.211
Total	16.428

Response C

The proportion of total costs for 2015-16 for the international officer attributable to salaries and on-costs is 52.4 per cent.