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Witness:	Minister Dimopoulos
Committee Member:	Danny O'Brien
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**Danny O'BRIEN:** Can I ask how many tickets for each of these events [Billy Joel and the Foo Fighters and Dua Lipa] were provided to the government, particularly government ministers?

**Answer:**

In the 2022-23 Financial Year (FY), Visit Victoria negotiated and managed the major event contracts, on behalf of the Victorian Government, for the Dua Lipa and Billy Joel events. Details of these contracts are commercial in confidence.

Visit Victoria provided the following number of tickets for the named events to the Office of the Minister for Tourism, Sport and Major Events:

- 30 for Foo Fighters event in the 2022-23 FY
- 8 for the Billy Joel Event
- 0 for the Dua Lipa event.

The Minister attended the Dua Lipa Event as an invited guest of the event promotor, Live Nation.

Victoria's major events calendar provides an important opportunity to strengthen and further the state's trade, investment and policy initiatives. Through the Victorian Government's major event contract negotiations and sponsorship agreements, the State has access to ticketing allocations that provide valuable opportunities to engage with high-value stakeholders across events, trade, business and investment. This creates economic and tourism opportunities for the State.

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**Nicholas McGOWAN:** How much remains unspent [of the Visitor Economy Recovery and Reform Plan] then? How much remains unspent of the \$633 million?

**Answer:**

As at 1 June 2023, \$258.297 million of the \$633 million Visitor Economy Recovery and Reform Plan remains unspent, but these unspent funds are fully committed.