

Question on Notice
No. 1812
Asked on 25 November 2008

MR SPRINGBORG asked the Premier (MS BLIGH) -

QUESTION:

With reference to travel on the Government aircraft by the Minister for Public Works, Housing and Information and Communication Technology—

- (1) How many trips has the minister taken in the Government Airwing since September 2006 (reported by departure and destination place of each trip and reported separately)?
- (2) What was the cost of each trip (reported by trip and total cost)?
- (3) What was the carbon footprint for each trip?
- (4) What was the departure time and arrival time and total travel hours for each trip taken?

ANSWER:

Information regarding the use of the Government Air Wing in 2006-07 and 2007-08 is included in responses to questions on notice that were asked during the 2007 and 2008 estimates committee processes. This information has been tabled in the Legislative Assembly and is publicly available to the Honourable Member by contacting the Table Office at Parliament House or by searching the Parliament's Tabled Papers Database.

The table at Attachment 1 outlines the carbon footprint relevant to each of the trips undertaken by the Minister for Public Works, Housing and Information and Communication Technology (Hon. R Schwarten MP) from 9 September 2006 to 25 November 2008, where the government aircraft in question was allocated to the Minister in accordance with the *Guidelines for the use of Government Aircraft for official transport*.

The Honourable Member should also note that the Department of Public Works is currently coordinating the purchase of carbon offsets for the total amount of fuel burnt by the Government Air Wing through the newly formed ecoFundQ. These offsets will not only apply into the future but are being back dated to 10 December 2007.

Attachment 1

Date	Tonnes of CO ₂
10.09.06	4.976
13.02.07	9.087
14.02.07	6.577
15.02.07	5.121
02.05.07	6.202
14.06.07	2.885
26.10.07	4.760
04.11.07	4.673
05.11.07	1.789
06.11.07	4.832
21.02.08	2.668
11.03.08	6.491
22.04.08	3.231
23.04.08	2.322