

## Canadian Heritage

### Report on Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences

As required by the Treasury Board [Directive for the Management of Expenditures on Travel, Hospitality and Conferences](#), this report provides information on the total annual expenditures for each of travel, hospitality and conference fees for Canadian Heritage for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2014. It also provides the variance explanations from the previous fiscal year in each of these areas.

This information is updated annually and does not contain information withheld under the [Access to Information Act](#) or the [Privacy Act](#).

Expenditures on travel, hospitality and conference fees incurred by federal departments and agencies are related to activities that support a departmental or agency mandate and the government's priorities.

The Department's legislative mandate is set out in the Department of Canadian Heritage Act and other statutes for which the Minister of Canadian Heritage and Official Languages is responsible and presents a wide-ranging list of responsibilities under the heading of "Canadian identity and values, cultural development, and heritage."

In particular, for Canadian Heritage, this includes support for Canada's cultural life, through arts, heritage, official languages, citizenship and participation, and Aboriginal, youth and sport initiatives. Canadian Heritage has a vision of Canada that invests in the future by supporting the arts, our two official languages and our athletes.

The Department's activities are structured around three strategic outcomes:

- Canadian artistic expressions and cultural content are created and accessible at home and abroad.
- Canadians share, express and appreciate their Canadian identity.
- Canadians participate and excel in sport.

A more detailed description of the Department's activities can be found in the [2013-2014 Report on Plans and Priorities](#).

**Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences of Canadian Heritage**

*(in thousands of dollars)*

Expenditure Category	Expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2014 (\$000)	Expenditures for the previous Year Ending March 31, 2013 (\$000)	Change (\$000)
Travel: Public Servants	\$1,463	\$1,670	(\$207)
Travel: Non-Public Servants	\$793	\$430	\$363
<b>Total Travel</b>	<b>\$2,256</b>	<b>\$2,100</b>	<b>\$156</b>
<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>\$90</b>	<b>\$64</b>	<b>\$26</b>
<b>Conference Fees</b>	<b>\$12</b>	<b>\$7</b>	<b>\$5</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,358</b>	<b>\$2,171</b>	<b>\$187</b>
International Travel by Minister and Minister's Staff (also included in Non-Public Servant Travel)	\$17	\$28	(\$11)

**Significant variances compared With the Previous Fiscal Year**

This section is used to provide a brief explanation of significant variances from the previous year's annual expenditures for each category.

**Travel:**

**Public servants:** Compared with fiscal year 2012-2013, departmental travel expenditures by public servants have decreased mainly due to the following:

*PCH held less consultations and coordination for the Official Languages program and less training related to the grants and contributions modernization initiative.*

*In addition last year, there was travel related to the Queen's Jubilee.*

**Non-public servants:** Compared with fiscal year 2012-2013, departmental travel expenditures by non-public servants have increased mainly due to:

*Les Jeux de la francophonie in Nice France.*

**Hospitality:** Compared with fiscal year 2012-2013, departmental hospitality expenditures remained relatively constant.

**Conference fees:** Compared with fiscal year 2012-2013, departmental conference fees expenditures remained relatively constant.

**Minister and minister's staff:** Compared with fiscal year 2012-2013, departmental international travel expenditures by the minister and his staff decreased slightly.