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## OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY MINISTERS IN 2016-17 COSTING MORE THAN £500 PER TRIP

Minister	Departure Date	Destination	Purpose of Trip	Mode of Travel	Number of accompanying officials (Private Office and policy)	Total Cost of travel and accommodation (£)
<b>Carwyn Jones</b>	24/05/16	Mumbai	Ministerial business – Tata Steel	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 Policy official	8,553
	01/07/16	Lille	100 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of the Somme, and Euros 2016 Wales - Belgium	Train	1 PS	1,477
	06/07/16	Paris	Mametz Memorial	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 Press officer	974
	16/06/16	Lille and Glasgow	Euros 2016 Wales – England (Lille) and British Irish Council (Glasgow)	Chartered flight	1 PS 1 Press officer (plus Minister for Social Services and Public Health and her PS on return flight from Glasgow)	10,035

	05/09/16	Atlanta and Chicago	Ministerial business	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 Press officer	17,056
	06/12/16	Brussels	Ministerial meetings	Scheduled flight and train	1 PS 1 SpAd 1 Press officer	2,802
	04/01/17	Oslo	Ministerial business	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 SpAd 1 Press officer	5,861
	28/02/17	Washington DC and New York	Ministerial business	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 SpAd 1 Press officer	30,936
<b>Ken Skates</b>	20/06/16	Toulouse	Euros 2016 Wales - Russia match	Scheduled flight	1 PS	1,980
	25/06/16	Paris	Euros 2016 Wales - N Ireland match	Scheduled flight	1 PS	1,252
	15/10/16	Osaka and Tokyo	Trade Mission	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	8,803
	24/11/16	Bilbao	Meeting with train manufacturers	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	673
	18/02/17	Chongqing and	Trade Mission	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	17,842

		Shanghai, China				
<b>Lesley Griffiths</b>	25/09/16	Brussels	Meet European Commission officials	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,506
	09/10/16	Luxembourg	Agri-Fish Council	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,567
	16/10/16	Paris	SIAL International Food Conference	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,223
	12/11/16	Marrakesh	Climate Change Conference	Scheduled flight	1 SpAd 2 Policy Officials	3,116
	11/12/16	Brussels	Agri-Fish Council	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,696
	27/02/17	Dubai	Gulfood	Scheduled flights	1 Policy official	6,563
<b>Vaughan Gething</b>	11/06/16	Bordeaux	Euros 2016 Wales - Slovakia	Scheduled flight	1 PS	1,775
	22/10/16	Entebbe	Visit to mark 10th Anniversary of Wales for Africa	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	6,470
<b>Kirsty</b>	06/09/16	Paris	Visit to OECD	Scheduled	1 PS	1,143

<b>Williams</b>				flight	1 SpAd 1 Policy official	
	18/01/17	Rovaniemi, Finland	LIFE 2017 (Lapland International Forum for Education Conference)	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 SpAd 1 Policy official	2,622
<b>Mark Drakeford</b>	20/10/16	Dublin	Ministerial Meeting	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 SpAd	1,091
	01/03/17	Brussels	Ministerial meeting	Train	1 PS 1 SpAd	1,450
<b>Alun Davies</b>	30/11/16	Gothenburg	Euroskills 2016	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	527 (Minister's costs only)
	25/01/17	Cologne & Bonn	EQAVET visit and conference	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,012
<b>Rebecca Evans</b>	21/09/16	Vilnius, Lithuania	World Health Organisation 23rd Annual Meeting of the Regional Health Networks	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 Policy official	1,563
<b>Edwina Hart</b>	17/04/16	Brussels	OECD Steel Symposium	Scheduled flight	1 PS 1 Policy official	2,257
	20/04/16	Brussels	European Steel Day	Scheduled flight	1 Policy official	1,787

**Notes**

PS = Private Secretary

SpAd = Special Adviser

Total cost of all Ministers' engagements overseas in 2016-17 £155,248

**GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY RECEIVED BY MINISTERS IN 2016-17 ON BEHALF OF THE WELSH GOVERNMENT VALUED AT MORE THAN £320**

<b>Minister</b>	<b>Gift/Hospitality</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Retained by Welsh Government</b>	<b>Purchased by Minister</b>
Nil return				

## OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY MINISTERS IN 2017-18 COSTING MORE THAN £500 PER TRIP

Minister	Departure Date	Destination	Purpose of Trip	Mode of Travel	Number of accompanying officials (Private Office and policy)	Total Cost of travel and accommodation (£)
<b>Carwyn Jones</b>	29/04/2017	Doha, Qatar	Ministerial business	Flight	1 PS 1 Press Officer	£16,281.51
	29/06/2017	Malaga	Ministerial business	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Head of news	£1,152.38
	30/06/2017	Heathrow	Returning from ministerial business	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Head of news	£2,484.00
	13/07/2017	Brussels	Ministerial business	Flight	1 SPAD + 1 head of news	£2,538.16
	31/07/2017	Lille	Passchendaele commemoration event	Eurostar	1 PS + 1 head of news	£1,470.00
	10/01/2018	Paris, France	Ministerial business	Eurostar	1 Director of FM's office + 1 Head of News	£3,165.24
	11/02/2018	Dublin	Ministerial business	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Press officer	£1,587.30
	25/02/2018	Washington	Ministerial business	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Head of news	£21,942.80



<b>Alun Davies</b>	12/07/2017	Bilbao	Ministerial business	Flight	2 Officials	£1,516.07
	26/03/2018	Neckar Landscape Park, Stuttgart and HogeKempen National Park, Genk	Ministerial business	Flight/Eurostar	1 PS, 2 Policy officials	£4,469.99
<b>Hannah Blythyn</b>	04/03/2018	Brussels	Environment Council - European Commission	Train	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Policy official	£1,903.40
	22/03/2018	Dublin	British Irish Council - Environment	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 2 Policy officials	£826.06
<b>Ken Skates</b>	14/06/2017	Munich, Germany	Queen's Birthday Party Reception	Flight	1 Policy official	£944.97
	18/06/2017	Paris, France	Attendance at Paris Airshow	Flight	1 Policy official	£1,402.61
	28/07/2017	Dusseldorf, Germany	Meeting with Ford	Flight	1 Policy official	£777.19
	31/10/2017	Geneva, Switzerland	Meetings with World Trade Organisation and Reception	Flight	1 Policy official	£614.62
	26/11/2017	Madrid, Spain	Meeting with Talgo & Tour of Facility	Flight	2 Policy officials	£1,340.04
	05/12/2017	Doha, Qatar	Attendance at Business Opportunities in Wales Event	Flight	1 SPS + 1 Policy officials	£11,383.41
	11/03/2018	Shanghai & Hong Kong, China	St David's Day Trade Mission	Flight	1 SPS & Director - OFMCO	£40,866.57

	31/03/2018	Gold Coast & Sydney, Australia	Attend Commonwealth Games and Business Meetings	Flight	1 SPS & 1 Policy official	£13,136.60
<b>Kirsty Williams</b>	10/09/2017	Dublin	Ministerial Engagement: Second Summit of the Atlantic Rim Collaboratory (ARC)	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Policy official	£918.98
<b>Lesley Griffiths</b>	16/07/2017	Brussels	Ministerial attendance at EU AGRI-FISH Council	Flight	1 Policy official	£1,834.35
	08/10/2017	Cologne	Ministerial attendance at ANUGA	Flight	1 Policy official	£698.05
Mark Drakeford	16/10/2017	Brussels, Helsinki, Paris	St David's Event in Brussels, Helsinki CPMR Event, Paris stop over.	Eurostar	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Policy official	£4,243.09
	24/11/2017	Dublin	Brexit Discussions	Flight	1 PS	£210.12
	12/01/2018	Cork	Killarney Economic Conference	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD	£836.01
	25/03/2018	Bilbao	Visit to Basque Country	Flight	1 PS & 1 SPAD + 1 Policy official	£1,431.76
<b>Rebecca Evans</b>	24/04/2017	Brussels, Belgium	Attend Seafood Expo on-behalf of the Cab Sec for Environment and Rural Affairs	Flight	1 PS	£2,017.89

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The costs listed for Ken Skates' trip to the Commonwealth Games are for travel costs only. Accommodation costs were paid in the financial year 2018/19

Total cost of all Ministers' engagements overseas in 2017-18 £141,993

In addition, the following costs were incurred in preparation for Kirsty Williams' planned trip to Vietnam - £5,573

**GIFTS AND HOSPITALITY RECEIVED BY MINISTERS IN 2017-18 ON BEHALF OF THE WELSH GOVERNMENT VALUED AT MORE THAN £320**

<b>Minister</b>	<b>Gift/Hospitality</b>	<b>Value</b>	<b>Retained by Welsh Government</b>	<b>Purchased by Minister</b>
Nil return				

## OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY MINISTERS IN 2018-19 COSTING MORE THAN £500 PER TRIP

Minister	Departure Date	Destination	Purpose of Trip	Mode of Travel	Number of accompanying officials (Private Office and policy)	Total Cost of travel and accommodation (£)
Counsel General	11/03/2019	Strasburg	CG business	Flight	2	£4,584.54
Eluned Morgan	26/02/2019	New York (JFK), Washington DC, Philadelphia	Ministerial Business	Flight	2	£17,204.48
First Minister	31/05/2018	Washington, USA	Ministerial business	Flight	3	£36,035.88
First Minister	25/06/2018	Madrid, Spain, Santiago de Compostela, Galicia & La Coruna, Galicia	Ministerial business	Flight	3	£4,316.76
First Minister	16/07/2018	Brussels	Ministerial business	Flight	3	£2,633.14
First Minister	03/08/2018	Lorient	Ministerial business	Ferry		£736.10
First Minister	05/09/2018	Berlin	Ministerial business	Flight	2	£2,958.02
First Minister	26/02/2019	Brussels/Paris	Ministerial business	Eurostar (out) Flight from Paris Return.	2	£1,175.00
Hannah Blythyn	24/06/2018	Luxembourg	Environment Council	Flight	1	£1,194.57
Huw Irranca-Davies	07/08/2018	Helsinki	Ministerial business	Flight	3	£5,836.66
Ken Skates	31/03/2018	Gold Coast & Sydney, Australia	Attend Commonwealth Games and Business Meetings <sup>1</sup>	Flight	2	£4,788.00
Ken Skates	27/09/2018	Paris	Company Visits and Host Welsh Government guests at Ryder Cup	Flight	2	£2,922.27
Ken Skates	04/10/2018	Toulouse	ADS Reception and Company Meetings	Flight	1	£673.87
Ken Skates	11/03/2019	Geneva	Attend Geneva Motor Show to support Aston Martin Lagonda	Flight	1	£676.92

Kirsty Williams	21/06/2018	New York JFK to New Haven & Boston	Building links with Yale, MIT & Harvard Universities	Flight	2	£11,628.05
Kirsty Williams	07/09/2018	Los Angeles, New York	Ministerial business - Atlantic Rim Collaboratory Summit	Flight	3	£32,123.12
Kirsty Williams	27/10/2018	Hanoi, Vietnam	Ministerial Business	Flight	3	£10,853.84
Lesley Griffiths	03/06/2018	Catalonia & Bilbao	Food Cluster development	Flight	2	£3,001.39
Lesley Griffiths	21/10/2018	Paris	SIAL Exhibition – Paris	Flight	2	£1,271.59
Lesley Griffiths	06/04/2018	Auckland & Wellington	To explore knowledge sharing and potential training and secondment opportunities with the New Zealand Government in relation to trade – building on the relationship that has been established between the NZ and Welsh Government Treasury departments	Flight	2	£19,428.00
Lesley Griffiths	09/09/2018	Sanfrancisco, California	Ministerial business - Global Conference on Climate Change	Flight	3	£18606
Lord Elis-Thomas	21/02/2019	Dublin	Ministerial business	Flight	2	£754.46
Mark Drakeford	12/04/2018	Amsterdam	Ministerial business	Flight	1	£1,040.48
Rebecca Evans	12/11/2018	Strasbourg	Ministerial meetings - European Parliament	Flight	3	£1,831.47

Total cost of all Ministers' engagements overseas in 2018-19 is £186,763.08

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Ken Skates	Model train	£400	X	

## OVERSEAS TRAVEL BY MINISTERS IN 2019-20 COSTING MORE THAN £500 PER TRIP

Minister	Departure Date	Destination	Purpose of Trip	Mode of Travel	Number of accompanying officials (Private Office and policy)	Total Cost of travel and accommodation (£)
Counsel General	08/10/2019	Brussels	Ministerial Business	Flight	3	£1,766.60
Eluned Morgan	13/06/2019	Dublin	Ministerial Business	Flight	2	£847.14
Eluned Morgan	05/09/2019	Dusseldorf	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£1,082.48
Eluned Morgan	15/01/2020	Brussels & Paris	Ministerial Business	Eurostar	2	£1,401.57
Eluned Morgan	23/02/2020	Outgoing flight to Ottawa - Montreal - San Francisco - Return flight from Los Angeles	Ministerial Business	Flight	3	£21,008.97
Eluned Morgan	11/03/2020	Dublin	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£531.60
First Minister	12/06/2019	Brussels	Ministerial Meetings	Eurostar	3	£912.00
First Minister	26/09/2019	Tokyo	Ministerial Business	Flight	2	£16,828.11
First Minister	25/10/2019	Calais	75th Anniversary of the liberation of 's-Hertogenbosch	Eurotunnel	3	£3,021.30
First Minister	14/11/2019	Dublin	BIC	Flight	4	£1,451.03
Jane Hutt	12/01/2020	Glasgow	Ministerial business	Flight	3	£717.45
Ken Skates	22/05/2019	Paris	Company Visits & Meetings	Flight	2	£1,339.15
Ken Skates	15/06/2019	Paris	Attendance at Paris Airshow	Flight	1	£1,867.44
Kirsty Williams	02/09/2019	Outgoing Flight to Houston, Texas, USA. Returning flight from Atlanta, Georgia, USA	Ministerial Business	Flight	5	£25,007.50
Kirsty Williams	04/09/2019	Birmingham, Alabama, USA	Ministerial Business	Flight	5	£2,919.62
Kirsty Williams	05/09/2019	Atlanta, Georgia, USA	Ministerial Business	Car	4	£3,135.62

Lesley Griffiths	15/12/2019	Brussels	Minsiterial Business	Flight	0	£596.84
Vaughan Gething	10/06/2019	Ljubljana	Speaking at WHO European Region Conference <sup>1</sup>	Flight	2	£674.19
Vaughan Gething	15/09/2019	Copenhagen	WHO Regional Committee <sup>2</sup>	Flight	2	£548.26
Vaughan Gething	24/10/2019	New Dehli, India	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£2,614.16
Vaughan Gething	25/10/2019	Jaipur, India	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£884.00
Vaughan Gething	30/10/2019	New Dehli, India	Ministerial Business	Taxi	1	£778.00
Vaughan Gething	01/11/2019	Chennai, India	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£906.00
Vaughan Gething	04/11/2019	Cardiff (via Doha)	Ministerial Business	Flight	1	£3,806.59
Totals						£94,645.62

Total cost of all Ministers' engagements overseas in 2019-20 is £ £97,077.70

<sup>1</sup> Flight/Hotel costs paid for by WHO – declared below

<sup>2</sup> Flight/Hotel costs paid for by WHO – declared below



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Minister	Gift/Hospitality	Value	Retained by Welsh Government	Purchased by Minister
Vaughan Gething	2 x hospitality tickets England v Bangladesh Cricket Match	£876	NA	NA
Vaughan Gething	Flight/Hotel costs re: Speaking at WHO European Regional Conference, Ljubljana, Solvenia	£674	NA	NA
Vaughan Gething	Flight/Hotel costs to address WHO European Regional Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark	£782	NA	NA

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