

Administrative Tribunals Support Service of Canada: Report on Annual Expenditures for Travel, Hospitality and Conferences (THC) 2022-23

As required by the Treasury Board [Directive on Travel, Hospitality, Conference and Event Expenditures](#), this report provides information on the Administrative Tribunals Support Service of Canada (ATSSC) annual expenditures for travel, hospitality and conferences for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023. It also provides explanations for the variances 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](#).

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

The ATSSC is responsible for providing support services and facilities to several federal administrative tribunals by way of a single, integrated organization.

These services include the specialized services required by each tribunal (e.g., registry, research and analysis, legal and other mandate or case activities specific to each tribunal), as well as internal services (e.g., human resources, financial services, information management and technology, accommodations, security, planning and communications).

Further information on the mandate, program activities and enabling instrument of the ATSSC can be found by accessing the [Departmental Plan](#) and the [Departmental Results Report](#).

Travel, Hospitality and Conference Expenditures: Administrative Tribunals Support Service of Canada, year ended March 31, 2023 (in thousands of dollars)

Expenditure Category	Expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2023	Expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2022	Variance
Travel: Operational Activities	\$372	-\$25	\$397
Travel: Key Stakeholders	\$2	\$4	-\$2
Travel: Internal Governance	\$47	\$0	\$47
Travel: Training	\$262	\$0	\$262

Travel: Other	\$43	\$4	\$39
Total Travel	\$725	-\$18	\$743
Hospitality	\$18	\$0	\$18
Conference Fees	\$12	\$23	-\$11
Total	\$755	\$5	\$750

*Figures have been rounded and may not add up to totals.

Significant variances compared with the previous fiscal year

Travel

Compared to fiscal year 2021-22, the ATSSC's travel expenditures increased substantially due to the lifting of travel restrictions imposed during the COVID-19 pandemic and the resumption of travel related to in-person hearings and other operational activities.

Hospitality

Compared to fiscal year 2021-22, departmental hospitality expenditures increased due to the resumption of in-person training and events after previously being halted due to concerns around the COVID-19 pandemic.

Conference fees

Compared to fiscal year 2021-22, the departmental conference fees have decreased nominally.