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**Subject: Soma Oil & Gas**

This request asked how much the SFO's Soma Oil & Gas investigation cost, from when it opened in July 2015 to when it closed in December 2016.

The case's cost, by financial year, for the period 1 July 2015 to 31 December 2016 is in the table below.

Soma Oil & Gas	2015-16	2016-17	Total
<b>Total Cost</b>	<b>42,436</b>	<b>17,476</b>	<b>59,912</b>

Notes

- The SFO financial year runs from 1 April to 31 March.
  - These costs do not include permanent staff costs, as SFO staff do not work exclusively on one investigation. (Certain SFO expenditure, such as that on permanent staff, and for fixed costs such as accommodation is pooled which means it is not possible to attribute to a specific investigation.)
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