

Expenditures Update: Fiscal Year 2020/2021 and 2021/2022

The independent public inquiry created to examine the April 18-19, 2020, mass casualty in Nova Scotia was established on October 21, 2020, through Orders in Council by the [Government of Nova Scotia](#) and [Government of Canada](#). Costs are shared between the Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia and have been presented in accordance with the Chart of Accounts of Canada. From that time through March 31, 2022, the inquiry recorded expenditures of approximately \$25.6 million, summarized as follows:

EXPENDITURES BREAKDOWN (IN THOUSANDS)

	Fiscal Year 2020-21	Fiscal Year 2021-22
Staff Salaries and Benefits		
Personnel	1,250	8,576
Employee Benefit Plan	128	815
Operating & Maintenance		
Transportation and Communications	165	1,435
Information	110	1,694
Professional and special services	1,029	5,978
Rentals	188	1,570
Utilities, materials and supplies	12	26
Acquisition of machinery and equipment\$	5	157
Grants & Contributions		
	N/A	2,496
Total Expenditures	2,887	22,747

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Staff salaries and benefits: The inquiry has a staff complement of 68 people including, legal counsel, investigators, policy and research officers, communication officers, mental health specialists, community liaison coordinators, administrative and information management support. This category includes the Commissioners' per diems.

Transportation and communications: Includes expenditures for Commissioners, staff and [Participants'](#) travel, Internet, and cell phones.

Information: Includes website, printing, design, graphics, reports and subscriptions.

Professional and special services: These services include venues for proceedings, translation, transcription, American Sign Language interpretation, audio-visual services, livestreaming, security, catering, copyediting, document management services, and subject area expert advice.

Rentals: Includes office spaces for the duration of the Commission's mandate and meeting room rentals.

Grants and Contributions: Covers the cost of legal counsel hourly fees for Participants and reflects the legal counsel invoices processed to the end of Fiscal 2021/2022.