

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

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Question: AET 1162-1165

Topic: Provision of Equipment

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

1162. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and what are the purchase and associated costs?
1163. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date (22 February 2013)?
1164. Is electronic equipment (such as iPad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.
1165. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to whom it is provided.

Answer:

1162. As at 22 February 2013 ABS does not provide Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with mobile phones.
1163. As at 22 February 2013 ABS does not provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices.
1164. Devices below are used in the ABS to support personal productivity, and remote network access for knowledge worker and field data collector staff. As at 22 February 2013 ABS provides the following electronic devices to department/agency staff:

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item	purchase cost per unit \$	ongoing cost* per unit \$	SES	staff/classification		
				EL1-2	APS6	APS1-5
iPad	874	710**	yes	yes, if approved by FAS	IT support staff only	IT support staff only
Laptop	1010	520***	yes	yes, if approved by FAS	yes, if approved by FAS	yes, if approved by FAS
Wireless card	190	710	yes	yes, if approved by FAS	yes, if approved by FAS	yes, if approved by FAS
RSA token	40	30	yes	yes	yes	yes
iPhone****	780	410	yes	yes, if approved by FAS	yes, if approved by FAS	no
Basic mobile phone	240	60	yes	yes	yes, if approved by EL2	yes, if approved by EL2
USB thumb drive	20	0	yes	yes	yes	yes

* Ongoing cost does not include non-standard software or usage

** iPad ongoing cost includes network data access

*** Laptop ongoing cost does not include network data access

**** Blackberry devices were removed from the ABS in 2012

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