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Question: AET 968-971

Topic: Provision of equipment (ATO)

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Senator BUSHBY asked:

968. 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?
969. 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)?
970. 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.
971. 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:

968, 969 & 971.

The ATO does not provide equipment to Treasury portfolio Ministers.

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970. The ATO provides the following electronic devices to department/agency employees:

Electronic device	Average purchase cost per device (excluding GST)	Ongoing cost per device* (excluding GST)
Standard Desktop (HP Compaq 8300 Elite)	\$412.20	\$17.92 per month
Standard Monitor (19" Dell P190S)	\$150.00	\$4.06 per month
Standard Notebook (HP Elite Book 8470P)	\$590.30	Standalone portable \$38.75 per month Small portable \$46.79 per month Medium portable \$38.75 per month Large portable \$54.04 per month
RSA Token (RSA SecureID authenticator SID700)	\$81.28 RSA SecureID Appliance Base Software License \$56.25	SecureCare Enhanced Maintenance for RSA SecureID Appliance Base Edition for twelve months \$8.40
Blackberry 9900	\$515.00	\$67.64 per month
Nokia C5	\$215 .00	\$5.82 per month
Encrypted thumb drive	2GB \$176.96 4GB \$209.51 8GB \$248.15	N/A
Optus 3G wireless modem	No upfront charge	\$26.35 per month

* Individual ongoing cost and does not include usage.

All ATO employees receive a standard desktop and monitor.

Standard Notebook and encrypted thumb drives are issued to staff based on business need. To ensure economical use of these devices, they are able to be used in pooled or multiple user situations which are managed by user identification which assists with monitoring access and usage.

ATO employees who receive other electronic devices are those that have a business need to be contactable at any time and/or require remote access to departmental resources. The employee classifications that have access to electronic devices based on business needs are:

- Commissioners
- SES Band 2
- SES Band 1
- EL2
- EL1
- APS4-6.