

Senate Standing Committee on Economics

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Treasury Portfolio

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012

18 October 2012

Question: SBT 1649-1655

Topic: Provision of equipment (ATO)

Written: Received from Committee – 26 October 2012

Senator BUSHBY asked:

1649. 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 the costs.
1650. 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 (26 October 2012)? What were the running costs for 2009-10 and 2010-11?
1651. 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.
1652. Please update if there have been any changes since Budget Estimates 2011-12 (May 2012): 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 who it is provided
1653. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.
1654. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12.
1655. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011-12, provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it

Answer:

1649, 1650, 1652, 1653 and 1654.

The ATO does not provide equipment to Treasury portfolio Ministers. All equipment is provided by the Treasury.

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1651 and 1655.

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 (Lenovo M82 Small Form Factor)#	\$451.00	\$17.92 per month
Standard Monitor (19" Dell P190S)	\$150.00	\$4.06 per month
Standard Notebook (Dell E6430)	\$580.00	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	\$81.28 RSA SecureID Appliance Base Software License \$56.25	SecureCare Enhanced Maintenance for RSA SecureID Appliance Base Edition for six months \$8.40 (12 months \$16.80)
Blackberry 9900	\$515.00	\$67.64 per month
Nokia C5	\$215 .00	\$7.87 per month
Encrypted thumb drive	2GB \$165.66 4GB \$190.89 8GB \$227.85	Nil Nil Nil
Optus 3G wireless modem	No upfront charge	\$26.35 per month

New standard desktop since 5 October 2012.

* 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 assisting with monitoring access and usage.

ATO employees that 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.