

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question:

- a) Can you list which projects amount to the \$9.3 billion ICT spend announced by Angus Taylor in Fairfax Media on 27 March?
- b) Were any new ICT projects included in this year's Budget? What were they? How much did each one cost?

Answer:

- a) On the 27 March 2017, Assistant Minister Angus Taylor referenced the investment commitment not specific projects. As provided and referenced in the Hansard at Senate Estimates, the ICT expenditure for 2015-16 is \$6.2 billion (excluding military).

The \$9.3 billion is the projected expenditure from 2015-16 forward. The data source is Austender and refers to Information Communication Technology (ICT) contractual commitments (not projects) for 2015-16, including military ICT. Further information may be accessed from the Austender website.

- b) New ICT projects included in this year's Budget are outlined in the budget statements for relevant agencies available at: www.budget.gov.au.