

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Question No: 73**

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**Topic: Digital productivity initiatives**

**Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:**

**Senator URQUHART:** So that is correct. There were two, effectively—2010 and 2013. In question on notice No. 564 from the May 2014 estimates we asked you the current status of the 34 digital productivity initiatives detailed in the update to the National Digital Economy Strategy. In response you said that 25 of the projects were in progress and that nine had been completed. Are they all now complete?

**Ms Cullen:** I will need to take on notice the exact number that are still in progress...

...**Senator URQUHART:** Maybe you would like to take this on notice as well just to give us a complete answer. For those that are not complete, has a formal evaluation been conducted?

**Answer:**

Of the 34 digital productivity initiatives detailed in *Advancing Australia as a Digital Economy: An update to the National Digital Economy Strategy*, 17 are in progress and 17 are complete.

Consistent with usual practice, the projects will be evaluated after they are completed. The findings from these evaluations will be used to inform future policy.