

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Legislation Committee
Answers to questions on notice
Environment portfolio**

Question No: 151
Hearing: Additional Estimates
Outcome: Corporate
Programme: Corporate Strategies Division (CSD)
Topic: Computers
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Question Type: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used
2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location
3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

1. The following table provides itemised breakdown of computers owned, leased, stored or able to be accessed by the Minister's office as provided by the department.

Minister's Office		
	Inventory	Purchase Cost (GST inclusive)
Minister	Monitor	\$243.00
	Thin client	\$500.00 (est.)
Chief of Staff	Monitors	\$486.00
	Thick client	\$1067.00
Senior Advisors (x2)	Monitors	\$972.00
	Thin client	\$1000.00 (est.)
Media Advisors (x2)	Monitors	\$972.00
	Thick clients	\$2134.00
Advisors (x4)	Monitors	\$1945.00
	Thin clients	\$2000.00 (est.)
Office Manager (x2)	Monitors	\$972.00

	Thick client	\$1067.00
	Thin client	\$500.00 (est.)
Reception (x1)	Monitor	\$243.00
	Thick client	\$1067.00
Departmental Liaison Officers (x2)	Monitors	\$972.00
	Thick clients	\$2134.00

2. The list of current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location is answered under **Question on Notice 166** (SQ16-000134).
3. Departmental desktop runs the Windows 7 operating system. Licensing for the product falls under a Volume Licensing Service Centre agreement with the Department of Finance (as per whole of Australian Government arrangement). The Windows 7 operating system is a component of a larger Microsoft packaged product, and as such detailed ongoing costing for the Windows 7 component is not available.