

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Department of Communications

Question No: 678

Program No. Corporate

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Computers

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Department/Agency, listing the equipment cost and location
2. Please detail the operating systems used by the Departments/Agencies computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs.

Answer:

1. To provide data in the form requested would require an unreasonable diversion of Departmental resources.
2. The majority of the Department's computers are installed with the Microsoft Windows operating system, purchased under the whole of government Microsoft Volume Sourcing Arrangements. There are a small number of specialist computers installed with the Apple OSX operating system, with an annual subscription of \$763.64 (GST excl) per seat.