

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications
Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice
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Communications Portfolio
Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 594

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Workplace Assessments

Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014:

1. How much has been spent on workplace ergonomic assessments?
 1. List each item of expenditure and cost
2. Have any assessments, not related to an existing disability, resulted in changes to workplace equipment or set up?
3. If so, list each item of expenditure and cost related to those changes

Answer:

1. The vast majority of workplace ergonomic assessments within the ABC are performed in house by WHS Unit staff and as such, there are no invoiced costs to departments. Since Budget Estimates in June 2014 there have been two assessments performed by external providers and paid for by the ABC at a total cost of \$1,199.

State	Vendor	Cost
Victoria	CRS Australia	\$693
ACT	Workfocus Australia	\$506
Total		\$1,119

2. Workplace ergonomic assessments performed by WHS Unit staff are routinely arranged in response to a work area request indicating that a staff member is suffering some level of discomfort. Reports to the requesting department include recommendations for changes to workplace equipment, though it is up to the department to act upon any recommendations.
3. Since Budget Estimates in June 2014 the total recommended spending relating to workplace ergonomic assessments has been **\$33,231**.

This expenditure is itemised in the following table.

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Description	Vendor/model	Price per unit	No. of units	Cost
Chairs	Haworth LOOK	\$500.00	7	\$3,500
	Gregory INCA	\$500.00	23	\$11,500
	Bambach Saddle	\$979.00	1	\$979
Desks/Sit-Stand Variations	Sit-Stand Desk	\$1,340.00	3	\$4,020
	Ergotron	\$594.00	1	\$594
	Kangaroo Dual	\$2,000.00	1	\$2,000
Keyboards	Evoluent Compact Wired	\$115.00	23	\$2,645
	Laptop keyboards	\$49.50	3	\$149
	Delux Mini Keyboards	\$37.40	3	\$112
	S-Board Slim compact	\$129.80	1	\$130
	Goldtouch Ergonomic	\$165.00	1	\$165
Mouse	Evoluent Vertical	\$139.40	3	\$418
	Ez Vertical	\$79.20	1	\$79
	Oyster	\$169.40	1	\$169
	Laptop	\$24.20	2	\$48
	Smaller/Larger generic	\$29.70	3	\$89
	Bar style	\$352.00	1	\$352
	Fellowes Gliding Palm Support	\$38.00	1	\$38
Document Holders	Fellowes Booklift	\$19.80	3	\$59
	Fellowes Flex Arm	\$42.00	1	\$42
	3M Inline Document Holder	\$119.00	2	\$238
	Ergotilt	\$152.90	1	\$153
	Microdesk	\$117.70	1	\$118
	Twinline Copyholder	\$88.00	1	\$88
Monitor Risers	Fellowes Premium	\$71.50	8	\$572
	Fellowes Laptop Risers	\$47.30	5	\$237
	Vuryser	\$23.98	9	\$216
Telephone Headset	Standard	\$140.00	25	\$3,500
Footrests	Fundamentals Adjustable	\$85.80	11	\$944
	Fundamentals Spacer	\$11.00	1	\$11
Other	Anti-fatigue Matting	\$66.00	1	\$66
Grand Total				\$33,231