

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Agency: ACARA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000019

Senator Lines, Sue provided in writing

ACARA: Cost of NAP Sample Assessment

Question

Senator LINES: Getting back to those general capability skills, how much is currently invested in the science, ICT and civics and citizenship sample assessments carried out by ACARA?

Mr Randall: We have our sample assessment program, which is a three-yearly cycle—science, civics and citizenship, and ICT literacy. My recollection off the top of my head is that it is about \$1½ million a year. It depends. With science at the moment we are only doing year 6, so it varies. I could take it on notice, but it is of that order. That is for the development, administration, marking and reporting of those assessment programs.

Senator LINES: You will take it on notice, but you think it is about a million and a half?

Mr Randall: That is the order of it.

Answer

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority has provided the following response.

The National Assessment Program (NAP) Sample budget, as set out in the ACARA 2016/17 to 2019/20 quadrennial work budget agreed in principle by Education Council, includes:

	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
	\$'000			
Manage the development and oversee the delivery of NAP sample assessments	1,922.7	1,931.8	1,992.6	1,993.1