

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2017 - 2018

Outcome: Agency: ACARA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-001017

Senator Bilyk, Catryna provided in writing.

ACARA: Laptops

Question

- How many laptops are currently on issue to staff of the Department and agencies in the portfolio?
- Can an itemised list showing make and model please be provided?
- How many new laptops were purchased by the Department and agencies in the portfolio in calendar year 2016?
- What was the total cost (GST inclusive) of purchasing laptops for staff of the Department and agencies in the portfolio in calendar year 2016?
- How many laptops did the Department and agencies in the portfolio have to be replaced due to damage in calendar year 2016? What was the cost of replacement (GST inclusive)?
- How many laptops were reported lost or stolen in calendar year 2016? What was the cost of replacement (GST inclusive)?

Answer

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

ACARA has 127 laptops currently on issue to staff of the agency. Itemised list as below:

Number	Make/model
101	DELL XPS 13-9350 6 th Gen
10	DELL XPS 13-9350 7 th Gen
1	DELL XPS 15 -9550 6 th Gen
2	Macbook Air 11"
3	Macbook Pro 13"
7	Microsoft Surface Pro 4
1	Microsoft Surface Pro 3
1	Google Chrome Book
1	Lenovo laptop
Total = 127	

117 new laptops were purchased by ACARA in calendar year 2016. This coincided with ACARA's office relocation and a change to IT equipment provided to staff. All ACARA staff have been provided with a laptop rather than a desktop computer.

The total cost (GST inclusive) of purchasing laptops for staff of the agency in calendar year 2016 was \$324,869.00

No laptops needed to be replaced due to damage in calendar year 2016, therefore the cost of replacement for damaged laptops was nil.

No laptops were reported lost or stolen in calendar year 2016, therefore the cost of replacement for lost or stolen laptops was also nil.