Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

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Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000835

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Fuel cards and car fleet

Question

Senator JACINTA COLLINS: How many fuel cards are currently issued in the department? Mr Ford: I am not sure whether we have fuel cards specifically. Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Are they part of the leases? Mr Ford: I think they are part of the broader card arrangements, but I will check that as well. We have a very small car fleet. It has come down a lot in the last few years. Senator JACINTA COLLINS: Could you outline that for me? In media monitoring we were back in the 2012, so could you give me that from 2012 on? Mr Ford: We can take that on notice, too. This is the number of cars in the car fleet over financial years?

Answer

The department issues 3 fuel cards for use with each pool vehicle# (BP, Shell, and Caltex).

The table below lists the number of departmental fuel cards and pool vehicles for the 2014–15 and 2015–16 financial years. The increase in cards and vehicles from 2014–15 to 2015–16 relates to the MoG changes bringing Early Childhood and Childcare back to Education. Information for prior years has not been provided due to the abolition of the former Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

	2014–15	2015–16
Number of pool vehicles	5	11
Number of fuel cards	15	33

Pool vehicles are available to all Departmental staff for business purposes