

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian National Audit Office

Outcome/Program:

Topic: Provision of equipment - ministerial

Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

1. For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs?

a) Itemise equipment and cost broken down by staff or minister classification

2. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide a list of what is provided across the department of agency, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives each item.

Answer:

Q1. Not Applicable. The ANAO does not provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices.

Q2.

Staffing Level	Laptop	Blackberry	Vasco	4G Data Card	Mobile Phone	USB Thumb Drive	iPad
SES	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗
Executive Level 1 and 2	✓	✓ ³	✓	✓	✓ ²	✓	✓ ¹
APS 3 to 6	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓ ¹
Purchase Cost (unit)	\$915	\$670	\$90	\$0	\$490	\$180	\$812
Ongoing cost (unit per month)	\$0	\$35	\$0	\$39	\$10	\$0	\$39

Notes:

- The ANAO has 6 ipads for staff to book for business travel and selected audit tasks.
- Audit Managers at the EL level have access to pool mobile phones for field work periods.
- Limited EL staff are issued with a Blackberry based on a business need