

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
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Answers to Questions on Notice

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Senator FAULKNER: And what was the original date in relation to wi-fi?

Answer

The first wireless network was deployed in October 2009. This was limited to the Chambers and committee rooms and was made available to parliamentary computer network users (no public Wi-Fi).

In July 2011 the wireless network was extended to cover the offices of Senators and Members (no public Wi-Fi).

Public Wi-Fi was first enabled in August 2012 and utilised the existing physical wireless network infrastructure.

Further extensions to provide Wi-Fi in the Min Wing and Media area occurred in 2013.