

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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Senator: Ludwig

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Question:

1. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the Ministers office as provided by the department, listing the equipment cost and location and employment classification of the staff member that is allocated the equipment, or if the equipment is currently not being used
2. List the current inventory of computers owned, leased, stored, or able to be accessed by the department, listing the equipment cost and location
3. Please detail the operating systems used by the departments computers, the contractual arrangements for operating software and the on-going costs

Answer:

1. No computers are currently provided by the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) to the Minister's Office.
2. The APSC has the following numbers of desktop computer assets available for agency staff:

Location	Number
Canberra Office	292
Sydney Office	14
Brisbane Office	9
Melbourne Office	7
Perth Office	1
Total	323
Purchase Value	\$509,500

The number of desktop computers in the Canberra office will be reduced to 258 following the completion of a desktop replacement project scheduled for completion in April 2014. The total purchase value of the desktop computer assets will reduce to \$295,000 after completion of this project.

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The APSC has the following numbers of notebook computer assets available to staff:

Location	Number
Canberra Office	49
Sydney Office	2
Brisbane Office	1
Melbourne Office	1
Perth Office	1
Total	54
Purchase Value	\$77,800

The APSC does not own any server computers. .

3. The APSC uses Microsoft Windows 7 64 bit edition on all desktop and notebook computers. The licences for these computers are sourced through the Department of Finance Whole of Government Microsoft Volume Sourcing Agreement II (VSA II) as Core Desktop Licences (CDL).
4. The cost to the Commission for Core Desktop Licensing in 2013/14 was \$57,740.