

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Topic: Stationery and Paper

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

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Question:

- a) How much did the Department spend on stationery and office supplies (excluding paper) in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive)?
- b) How much did the Department spend on paper in calendar year 2016 (GST inclusive)?
- c) What brand of paper does the Department use?
- d) Is this paper Australian made?
- e) If no, why doesn't the Department buy Australian made paper?

Answer:

- a) Excluding paper, the Department spent \$368,204.31 (GST inclusive) on stationery and office supplies in calendar year 2016.
- b) For general use copy paper the Department spent \$262,793.24 (GST inclusive) in calendar year 2016.
- c) For general use A4 copy paper the Department uses 'AustralianTM 100% recycled' paper. For general use A3 copy paper the Department uses the vendor branded 'OfficeMax 100% recycled' paper.
- d) The 'AustralianTM 100% recycled' general use A4 copy paper is 100 per cent Australian made. The vendor branded 'OfficeMax 100% recycled' general use A3 copy paper is sourced from Indonesia.
- e) A3 Australian-made paper was not initially available through the contract. It subsequently became available but was not substituted. The Australian-made A3 paper is currently an additional unit cost of 47%.