

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 15

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In writing

Topic: Local Content (South Australia)

Senator Xenophon asked:

In previous Estimates I put Questions on Notice about the funding allocation for South Australia. ABC provided me with information on the new positions created by the News Division across the country and funds for equipment to support local content.

1. Can you provide the monetary value of this staff and equipment allocation across the country?
2. Can you provide a breakdown of total ABC funding allocated to each state and territory for news and current affairs?

Answer:

1. The total cost staff and equipment allocation for the new ABC News positions across the country is \$128.66m.
2. The table below provides a breakdown of total ABC funding allocated to each state and territory for news and current affairs content.

Location	Total \$m
ACT	10.65
NSW	41.59
NT	6.18
Qld	24.54
SA	8.24
Tas	7.43
Victoria	20.06
WA	9.97
TOTAL	128.66

ABC funding allocated to each state and territory for news and current affairs content. This does not include funding for national programs or international news.