

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
**Budget Estimates May 2017**  
**Communications Portfolio**  
**Department of Communications and the Arts**

**Question No: 30(a)**

**Program 1.1**

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**Topic: Laptops**

**Senator Bilyk, Catryna asked:**

1. How many laptops are currently on issue to staff of the Department and agencies in the portfolio?
2. Can an itemised list showing make and model please be provided?
3. How many new laptops were purchased by the Department and agencies in the portfolio in calendar year 2016?
4. What was the total cost (GST inclusive) of purchasing laptops for staff of the Department and agencies in the portfolio in calendar year 2016?
5. How many laptops did the Department and agencies in the portfolio have to be replaced due to damage in calendar year 2016? What was the cost of replacement (GST inclusive)?
6. How many laptops were reported lost or stolen in calendar year 2016? What was the cost of replacement (GST inclusive)?

**Answer:**

1. The Department has 514 laptops on issue to departmental staff
2. The Department uses either Lenovo ThinkPad X or Lenovo ThinkPad Yoga devices.
3. In the 2016 calendar year, the Department purchased 234 laptops.
4. The total cost of laptops purchased in calendar year 2016 was \$512,688.00 (GST incl).
5. The Department's hardware asset register does not maintain information regarding damage to devices.
6. There were no laptops reported lost or stolen in the 2016 calendar year.