

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

**Cross Portfolio**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0140\_15**

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Dept & all agencies: Land costs**

1. How much land (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 2. Please list by each individual land holding, the size of the piece of land, the location of that piece of land and the latest valuation of that piece of land, where that land is owned or leased by the Department, or agency or authority or Government Corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore land upon which Australian Defence force bases are located. Non Defence Force base land is to be included) 3. List the current assets, items or purse (buildings, facilities or other) on the land identified above. a. What is the current occupancy level and occupant of the items identified in (3)? b. What is the value of the items identified in (3)? c. What contractual or other arrangements are in place for the items identified in (3)? 4. How many buildings (if any) does the Department or agencies or authorities or Government Corporation within each portfolio own or lease? 5. Please list by each building owned, its name, the size of the building in terms of square metres, the location of that of that building and the latest valuation of that building, where that building is owned by the Department, or agency or authority or Government corporation within that portfolio? (In regards to this question please ignore buildings that are situated on Australian Defence force bases. Non Defence Force base buildings are to be included). 6. In regards to any building identified in Q4, please also detail, the occupancy rate as expressed as a percentage of the building size. If occupancy is identified as less than 100%, for what is the remaining space used?

**Answer**

**Department**

Arrangements between the Department of Education, and the Departments of Employment, Social Services and Prime Minister and Cabinet to settle accommodation for their employees, following the Machinery of Government changes are being finalised. Accordingly, it is not possible to attribute building lease costs to the Department of Education at this stage.

Please refer to ED0323\_14 for details of leases held by the former DEEWR and its agencies. It should be noted, since Additional Estimates February 2014, the leases over Hastings and Victoria Streets, Thursday Island and 516 Ruthven Street, Toowoomba have expired and were not renewed.

**Agency**

**Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority**

Nil response

**Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership**

1. Nil
- 2 – 6. Not applicable

**Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies**

1. Nil
2. Not applicable
3. Not applicable
4. Two buildings - the AIATSIS building (owned) and Limestone Cottage (leased).
5. AIATSIS Building, 4500 SQM, 51 Lawson Crescent Acton, Block 4 Section 55.  
Book value at 31 May 2014: \$11,491,508 for Limestone Cottage, refer SQ14-001761.
6. Occupancy rate for both buildings is 100%.

**Australian Research Council**

1. None
- 2 – 6. Not applicable

**Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency**

1. Nil
- 2 – 6. Not applicable