

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

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

Cross Portfolio

Department of Education Question No. ED0533_15

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.
Question**

Dept & All Agencies: Corporate cars

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014: 1. How many cars are owned by each department/agency? a. Where are the cars located? b. What are the cars used for? c. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? d. How far did each car travel during the specified period? 2. How many cars are leased by each department/agency? a. Where are the cars located? b. What are the cars used for? c. What is the cost of each car during the specified period? d. How far did each car travel during the specified period?

Answer

Department of Education

The department leases 12 corporate vehicles. The vehicles are located in Canberra and in departmental State offices.

The cars are used for the transport and delivery of the department's equipment, supplies and correspondence; and to enable the department's staff to attend to official business away from their office.

Between 1 July and 31 October 2014 the lease costs ranged from \$2306 to \$5375 per car, with the higher lease costs reflecting such factors as differing lease periods and distances travelled. The kilometers travelled ranged from 1177 to 2797.

In addition, the department shares with the Department of Employment the cost of seven cars leased by the Shared Services Centre. The vehicles are located in Canberra and in one departmental State office. The cars are used for the transport and delivery of the departments' equipment, supplies and correspondence; and to enable Shared Services Centre staff to attend to official business away from their office. Between 1 July and 31 October 2014 the costs for each car ranged from \$499 to \$1537. The kilometers travelled ranged from 22 to 2871.

Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority

Nil response.

Australian Institute for Training and School Leadership

Nil response.

Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies (AIATSIS)

Two cars are leased and located in Canberra. One car is part of the Principal's employment contract. The other car is used to transport goods (eg books, equipment for events) and staff.

\$5,495.90

Distance travelled is only calculated annually.

Australian Research Council

Three cars are leased, located in Canberra and used for business purposes.

Between 1 July and 31 October 2014 the lease costs ranged from \$3197 to \$8462 with the higher lease costs reflecting such factors as differing lease periods and distances travelled. The kilometers travelled ranged from 2077km to 12,082km.

Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency

Nil response.