

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
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Question

Provision of Equipment to Ministers and Parliamentary Secretaries

For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided and the costs? For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what are the ongoing costs for this financial year to date? Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) provided to department/agency staff? If yes provide details of what is provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it. Does the department/agency provide their Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with any electronic equipment? If yes, provide details of what is provided, the cost and to who it is provided.

Answer

The Department provides Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices with the following range of electronic equipment:

Type of Equipment	Equipment Numbers @ 28 February 2013	Purchase Cost (\$)	2012-13 Ongoing Costs 1 July 2012 to 28 February 2013 (\$)
Desktop computers	81	\$102,123	\$43,957
Laptops	41	\$76,664	\$11,372
Blackberry/iPhone	44	\$32,204	\$40,942
Wireless/Mobile USB device/iPad	55	\$25,101	\$26,164
Multi-Function Device (a)	15	\$63,368	\$22,659
Printer (a)	31	\$29,352	
Video Conferencing (b)	8	\$59,578	\$2,482
Remote Access Token	44	\$8,800	\$2,100
Digital Camera	5	\$2,973	\$0
Digital Voice Recorder	3	\$1,450	\$0
Televisions	21	\$23,025	\$0
Shredder	4	\$9,202	\$0
DVD Player	3	\$1,590	\$0
Cabinet Terminal and Printer	8	\$7,000	\$13,333

Note

(a) Multifunction device and printer ongoing costs are combined as details of cost per type of equipment are not recorded by the Department.

(b) Video conferencing systems can comprise of between 1 and 3 equipment component items.

The following equipment has been provided to departmental staff:

Type of electrical equipment	SES	EL 1-2	APS 4-6	APS 1-3	Shared	Purchase Value	Ongoing Costs – 1 July to 28 February 2013
Barcode Scanner	0	6	9	1	11	\$28,221	\$0
Binding Machine/Folder Inserter/Folding Machine	0	0	0	0	6	\$29,809	\$0
Cable Meter	0	1	0	0	0	\$24,650	\$0
Cable Tester	0	2	0	0	0	\$32,811	\$0
Data Projector	0	6	17	1	109	\$247,193	\$0
Desktop Computers	0	0	0	0	6,395	\$8,668,102	\$3,424,482
Digital & Desktop Cameras	0	12	39	2	71	\$138,517	\$0
Digital Voice Recorder	0	12	18	0	17	\$47,642	\$0
DVD/Video Camera/Recorder	0	2	2	0	18	\$122,652	\$0
EPIRB (Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon)	0	0	4	0	14	\$22,500	\$0
External Hard drive/DVD Drive	0	3	0	0	17	\$8,765	\$0
GPS	0	1	0	0	0	\$100	\$0
iPad	6	22	2	0	33	\$53,271	\$258,720
iPods	0	0	0	0	1	\$308	
Laptop/Notebook/Tough book/ Tablet PCs	28	165	170	7	503	\$1,653,895	
MFD/Printers/Photocopies/Fax/Scanner	2	0	0	0	409	\$2,996,964	\$667,686
Mobile Phone - Blackberry	85	350	90	3	541	\$715,601	\$394,592
Mobile Phone - iPhone	22	11	5	0	74	\$100,794	
Mobile Phone - Other	2	6	3	0	7	\$12,427	
Mobile Phone - Satellite	0	0	16	1	42	\$86,564	\$13,103
Monitor	0	1	0	0	10	\$60,810	\$0

Type of electrical equipment	SES	EL 1-2	APS 4-6	APS 1-3	Shared	Purchase Value	Ongoing Costs – 1 July to 28 February 2013
PA System	0	0	1	0	2	\$1,819	\$0
PDA	0	4	1	0	12	\$13,961	\$0
Shredder	0	0	0	0	45	\$76,533	\$0
TV	0	0	0	0	98	\$161,638	\$0
Video Conference	0	0	0	0	194	\$1,674,954	\$32,095
Visible Video Telescope	1	0	0	0	0	\$34,398	\$0
Secure USB Drives	4	17	8	0	51	\$11,300	\$0
Vasco /RAS Tokens	128	1,176	609	6	0	\$159,415	\$208,756

Notes:

1. Ongoing costs include annual leasing costs, software/hardware licensing costs and call charges. Costs are for period 1 July 2012 to 28 February 2013.

2. Ongoing costs for iPad and Laptop/Notebook/Tough book/Tablet PCs includes data costs from Optus and Telstra up to 28 February 2013 for wireless broadband modems and other data usage costs.