

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

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Question

Provision of equipment to Ministers and Parliamentary Secretary - 2011-12

For departments/agencies that provide mobile phones to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of mobile phone is provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12. For departments/agencies that provide electronic equipment to Ministers and/or Parliamentary Secretaries and/or their offices, what type of electronic equipment was provided, the cost and what were the ongoing costs for 2011-12. Is electronic equipment (such as ipad, laptop, wireless card, vasco token, blackberry, mobile phone (list type if relevant), thumb drive) was provided to department/agency staff for 2011 12, provide details of what was provided, the purchase cost, the ongoing cost and a breakdown of what staff and staff classification receives it.

Answer

The answer is provided on the following pages.

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

Type of Equipment	Equipment Numbers @ June 2012	Purchase Value (\$)	2011-12 Ongoing Costs (\$)
Desktop computers	79	\$102,786	\$64,308
Laptops	45	\$86,784	\$18,721
Blackberry/iPhone	62	\$41,992	\$99,266
Wireless/Mobile USB device/iPad	63	\$27,821	\$59,122
Multi-Function Device (a)	8	\$83,085	\$42,027
Printer (a)	32	\$47,333	
Video Conferencing	10	\$900	\$3,800
Remote Access Token	45	\$9,000	\$9,000
Digital Camera	3	\$2,456	\$0
Digital Voice Recorder	6	\$1,499	\$0
Televisions	25	\$13,983	\$0
Shredder	8	\$18,002	\$0
DVD Player	8	\$5,200	\$0
Cabinet Terminal and Printer	5	\$5,910	\$30,000

Notes

(a) Multi-function device and printer ongoing costs are combined as details of cost per type of equipment are not recorded by the department.

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 for 2011-12
Barcode Scanner	0	6	11	1	7	\$46,329	\$0
Binding Machine/Folder Inserter/Folding Machine	0	0	0	0	7	\$31,410	\$0
Cable Meter	0	1	0	0	0	\$24,650	\$0
Cable Tester	0	2	0	0	0	\$32,811	\$0
Data Projector	0	7	13	0	144	\$298,155	\$0
Desktop Computers	0	0	0	0	6,338	\$8,551,845	\$5,519,259
Digital & Desktop Cameras	0	15	18	2	114	\$188,073	\$0
Digital Voice Recorder	0	6	8	0	27	\$72,915	\$0
DVD/Video Camera/Recorder	0	0	0	0	35	\$96,130	\$0
EPIRB (Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacon)	0	0	3	0	26	\$36,250	\$0
External Hard drive/DVD Drive	0	3	0	0	21	\$9,805	\$0
GPS	0	0	0	0	4	\$1,164	\$0
iPad	3	16	0	0	36	\$53,068	\$517,941
iPods	0	0	0	0	26	\$7,885	
Laptop/Notebook/Tough book/Tablet PCs	34	185	107	0	740	\$2,283,917	
MFD/Printers/Photocopies/Fax/Scanner	2	0	0	0	464	\$3,254,132	\$1,562,112
Mobile Phone - Blackberry	115	387	54	2	4	\$460,955	\$894,057
Mobile Phone - iPhone	21	10	3	0	83	\$107,786	
Mobile Phone - Other	2	7	3	0	6	\$12,427	
Mobile Phone - Satellite	0	0	5	0	30	\$61,504	\$17,835
Monitor	0	1	0	0	14	\$66,903	\$0
PA System	0	0	0	0	2	\$2,669	\$0
PDA	2	3	1	0	22	\$21,542	\$0

Type of electrical equipment	SES	EL 1-2	APS 4-6	APS 1-3	Shared	Purchase Value	Ongoing Costs for 2011-12
Shredder	0	0	0	0	50	\$122,261	\$0
TV	6	0	0	0	126	\$192,655	\$0
Video Conference	0	0	0	0	207	\$1,696,035	\$86,417
Visible Video Telescope	2	0	0	0	0	\$36,612	\$0
Secure USB Drives	0	15	13	0	52	\$5,840	\$0
Vasco /RAS Tokens	156	1349	577	12	147	\$181,992	\$370,579

Notes:

1. On-going costs include annual leasing costs, software/hardware licensing costs and call charges. Costs are for the period 1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012.

2. On-going costs for iPad and Laptop/Notebook/Tough book/Tablet PCs includes data costs from Optus and Telstra for wireless broadband modems and other data usage costs.

The following electrical equipment has been provided to agency staff:

Agencies	Type of Equipment	No of SES staff or equivalent	EL1/2 staff or equivalent	APS 4-6 staff or equivalent	APS 1-3 staff or equivalent	No shared across all staff	Total Purchase Value	Total On-going Costs 2011-12
Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA)								
	iPad	3	4				\$4,800	\$4,200
	Laptop (a)	3	8	1		43	\$142,500	\$0
	Mobile Broadband	3	8			11	\$2,900	\$13,200
	Mobile phone - iPhone	3	20				\$18,400	\$28,980

Notes:

(a) Laptops are purchased outright; the cost of software installed in the laptop is covered under a group software licence.

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Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership (AITSL)								
	Data Projectors					1	\$1,013	\$0
	iPad	5	13				\$6,956	\$12,245
	Laptop	2	2				\$5,890	\$0
	Mobile phone - iPhone (a)	5	13				\$0	\$18,012
	Wireless card (USB)	5	6				\$792	\$7,068

Notes:

(a) Cost of phone included as part of the on-going costs as they are being purchased under a plan arrangement.

Agencies	Type of Equipment	No of SES staff or equivalent	EL1/2 staff or equivalent	APS 4-6 staff or equivalent	APS 1-3 staff or equivalent	No shared across all staff	Total Purchase Value	Total On-going Costs 2011-12
Comcare								
	Data projectors					7	\$10,500	\$0
	Digital Cameras			3			\$1,200	\$0
						1	\$1,500	\$0
			1				\$900	\$0
						2	\$600	\$0
	Digital voice recorders					5	\$250	\$0
	iPad	8	7	1			\$14,384	\$6,720
	Mobile Phone - Blackberry	1	63	4			\$40,800	\$48,960
	Mobile phone - iPhone	5	4				\$9,072	\$2,160
	Mobile phone – Samsung Galaxy	1	1				\$1,546	\$240
	Mobile phone – Nokia		23	39			\$3,100	\$3,720
	Modem	3	2				\$200	\$0
	Notebook	6	80	59			\$298,793	\$13,572
	Thumb drive (secure only)		40	30			\$2,800	\$0
	Wireless card (Internet Dongle)	4	26	13			\$9,733	\$18,060
	MyToken	8	78	41			\$2,903	\$3,175
Agencies	Type of Equipment	No of SES staff or equivalent	EL1/2 staff or equivalent	APS 4-6 staff or equivalent	APS 1-3 staff or equivalent	No shared across all	Total Purchase Cost(d)	Total On-going Costs 2011-12

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Fair Work Australia (FWA)								
	Data Projector					1	\$2,000	\$0
	iPad	2	3		0		\$4,500	(a)
	Laptop - Acer	3	37	63			\$110,313	(b)
	Laptop – HP		4				\$5,200	
	Mobile phone - iPhone	3	10	7			\$16,000	(a)
	Wireless Modem (USB Dongle)		4				\$600	\$500
	Wireless data services (SIM only) (c)	3	3	6				\$2,500

Notes:

- (a) To provide a breakdown of telecommunications costs by device would require an unreasonable diversion of resources.
- (b) It is not possible to isolate software licencing costs to one form of machine such as laptops. In this instance, the agency pays an organisation wide licensee fee to Microsoft, Citrix, ant -virus company, etc, which are licences for the organisation’s computing equipment which forms many types including services, desktops, laptops etc.
- (c) Wireless data services provisioned on SIM cards only are for use in Apple iPad devices (3G enabled) and Notebook/Laptop devices equipped with internal 3G modem devices.
- (d) Indicative purchase cost used for iPhone/iPad as otherwise onerous exercise sourcing each individual invoice.

Agencies	Type of Equipment	No of SES staff or equivalent	EL1/2 staff or equivalent	APS 4-6 staff or equivalent	APS 1-3 staff or equivalent	No shared across all staff	Total Purchase Value	Total On-going Costs 2011-12
Fair Work Building and Construction (FWBC)*								
	Camcorder					7	Not separately reported	
	Data projectors					7	\$4,900	\$0
	Digital cameras					12	\$4,880	\$0
	Digital voice recorders	1	10	55			\$10,560	\$0
	iPad	5	9	18		2	\$31,790	\$3,400
	Laptop	5	1			47	\$33,207	\$0
	Mobile phone - Blackberry	4	10	5			\$7,600	Not separately reported
	Mobile phone - Other	2	15	70	1	5	\$18,600	\$39,285
	Vasco token	11	33	80	4	0	Not separately reported	\$12,800
	Wireless card	1				12	Not separately reported	\$6,552

Notes

The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner (ABCC) concluded its operations on 1 June 2012. A new specialist regulator for the building and construction industry, known as Fair Work Building and Construction (FBWC) commenced operations upon the cessation of the ABCC.

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Fair Work Ombudsman (FWO)								
	Digital Cameras (b)					26	\$0	\$0
	Digital voice recorders (b)					47	\$0	\$0
	iPad	3	2			2	\$6,338	\$1,919
	Laptop	1				46	\$57,421	\$0
	Mobile phone - Blackberry	15	86	19			\$97,885	\$82,362
	Mobile phone - Standard	2	22	158	1	25	\$54,142	\$24,330
	Mobile phone - satellite (b)					1	\$0	\$327
	Vasco tokens (a)							
	Wireless card	14	35	8		45	\$21,560	\$28,507

a Vasco tokens are supplied by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

b Several items were acquired by the FWO from predecessor organisations at zero value as they had been fully depreciated (i.e. satellite phone, digital camera and digital voice recorders).

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Safe Work Australia (SWA)								
	iPad / Wireless modem	7					\$1,822	\$300
	Laptop	3					\$4,177	\$500
	Mobile phone - Blackberry	1	13				\$10,822	\$4,200
	Mobile phone - iPhone	5					\$4,152	\$1,200
	Mobile phone - other		2				\$400	\$200
	Vasco token	5	39	5			\$9,800	\$9,800