

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013-2014

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman
Outcome/Program: 1
Topic: Provision of Equipment

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

- (1) 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?
- (2) 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?
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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:

- (1) Nil.
- (2) Nil.
- (3) See tabulated information overleaf.
- (4) Nil.

Asset Type	No. of Assets	No. of Assets Assigned	Assignees	Purchase Price per unit	Approx. ongoing total costs per month
3G Dongle	10	1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Investigation Officer 	\$0	\$200
Laptop	50	29	Deputy Ombudsman, and various staff at the following levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Assistant Ombudsman Executive Level 2 Executive Level 1 Senior Network Administrator Senior Investigation Officer Investigation Officer 	\$ 1,009.33	\$0
Blackberry	21	15	Ombudsman, Deputy Ombudsman, and various staff at the following levels: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Assistant Ombudsman Executive Level 2 Senior Investigation Officer 	\$742.50 - \$764.50	\$1100
Mobile phone	6	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senior Network Administrator Executive Level 1 Investigation Officer 	Unknown*	\$205
Digital camera	2	2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Level 1 	\$ 318.18	\$0
USB drive	36	32	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff at all levels 	Unknown*	\$0

Where an asset has not been assigned, it is held by the Office's Information and Communications Technology team.

Unknown* - this information is not readily ascertainable without detailed analysis of the breakdown of specific invoices. In addition, some purchases were made prior to this financial year.