

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Question:

1. How many mobile telephone or mobile device services did The Australia Council pay for in:
 - o 2007-08
 - o 2008-09
 - o 2009-10
 - o 2010-11
 - o 2011-12 (to date)

2. What was the total cost for mobile telephones and mobile devices, and their associated accounts in:
 - o 2007-08
 - o 2008-09
 - o 2009-10
 - o 2010-11
 - o 2011-12 (to date)

3. Does The Australia Council pay for mobile telephone or mobile device services for members of committees, boards and panels?

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If so, how many telephones, devices and accounts are supported, and what was their total cost in:

- o 2007-08
- o 2008-09
- o 2009-10
- o 2010-11
- o 2011-12 (to date)

Answer:

1.

2007-2008	42 (mobile/devices)
2008-2009	43 (mobile/devices)
2009-2010	43 (mobile/devices)
2010-2011	43 (mobile/devices)
2011-2012	47 (mobile/devices)

2.

2007-2008	\$30,750
2008-2009	\$39,789
2009-2010	\$49,627
2010-2011	\$57,221
2011- 2012	\$44,333

3. The Australia Council paid the following mobile phone costs for members of committees, boards and panels:

2007-2008	\$1,487
2008-2009	\$749
2009-2010	\$165
2010-2011	\$806
2011-2012	\$0