

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 1099**  
**Asked on 28 September 2004**

MR MESSENGER asked the Minister for Education and the Arts (Ms Bligh)—

**QUESTION:**

With reference to information computer technology (ICT) specialists in Queensland schools, for each of the last two financial years and for the year to date -

- (1) What is the number of dedicated ICT specialists, by district?
- (2) What is the ratio of dedicated ICT specialists per school?

**ANSWER:**

ICT support is predominantly obtained by Queensland state schools through the use of a portion of ICT grant money provided by the Government direct to schools.

As a result of the Government's ICTs for Learning initiative, beginning in 2002/03, school ICT grants were substantially increased. Those grants have since amounted to \$30 million per annum in 2002/03, 2003/04 and 2004/05. Based on 2003/04 data from schools Online Learning Agreement Database, schools planned to spend approximately 21% or \$6.3 million of the allocated \$30 million in grants on ICT support. These are indicative figures only.