

QUESTION ON NOTICE

No. 1710

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MS F SIMPSON ASKED MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS AND MINISTER FOR TRAINING AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT (HON S FENTIMAN)

QUESTION:

With reference to TAFE Queensland's student management IT system—
Will the Minister detail the budget and actual spend by TAFE Queensland on student management IT (reported separately by financial year from 2015-16 to 2017-18)?

ANSWER:

TAFE Queensland is committed to ensuring world class information and communication technologies (ICT) for student management. It is through the student management system that TAFE Queensland is able to provide high quality services to its students. Functions and benefits include, but are not limited to, accurate and efficient processing of student enrolments, course fees, payment plans, student results and printing of awards.

TAFE Queensland's budget and actual spend for direct IT operational expenditure relating to TAFE Queensland's existing student management systems was:

Year	Budget \$	Actual \$
2014-15	5,703,914	6,108,360
2015-16	3,930,722	5,301,823
2016-17	5,664,945	5,728,627
2017-18	4,324,778	5,722,525

Variations between budgeted and actual expenditure occur for a range of reasons including contractual pricing changes, ad hoc maintenance requirements, and associated ICT projects which impacted on operational costs associated with student management and associated ancillary systems more broadly. Variations are managed within the overall budgeted ICT program of work for the whole of TAFE Queensland.