

**ESTIMATES COMMITTEE**  
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**To:** Hon. Paul Kirby

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**QUESTION**

This is a question on behalf of the Member for Nelson, Mr Gerry Wood - What is the annual cost or the usage cost—or both—of us accessing an electronic library facility to get books issued?

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**Answer to Question Taken on Notice**

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**ANSWER**

This is regarding the annual costs associated with electronic libraries. The costs are in two parts: subscription costs to access the database archives and the costs of delivery of the documents to us. Based on the 2018–19 year, the estimate for costs incurred and the 2018–19 costs incurred are: database subscriptions are approximately \$38 000 per annum for primary industry related research and the document delivery was approximately \$4 000 per annum.