

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

**Finance Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance  
**Outcome/Program:** 1.1  
**Topic:** APS Redundancies

**Senator:** Seselja

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**Question:**

1. "How many redundancies there had been over the past financial year and this year to date?"
2. "Do you separate those out as to whether they are voluntary redundancies or whether they are forced redundancies?"
3. "In terms of how many redundancies and the breakdown of those redundancies, could you also come back and let us know how many agencies have had redundancies and who those agencies are?"

**Answer:**

The data below and in the Attachments has been provided to the Department of Finance by the Australian Public Service Commission.

1. Between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013 there have been 2,679 retrenchments across 70 departments and agencies. Between 1 July 2013 and 31 October 2013 there have been approximately 674 retrenchments across 50 departments and agencies. Data from 1 July 2013 to 31 October 2013 (and in Attachment B) are unofficial figures as:
  - a) at 3 December 2013, 15 agencies have not submitted their data up to and including 31 October 2013;
  - b) Machinery of Government moves are still being finalised and manual adjustment is required; and
  - c) the data has not been subjected to the full range of quality assurance and verification checks that are instituted bi-annually.
2. No.
3. Agency level data on retrenchments is in Attachments A and B.

**Attachments**

Attachment A      Number of agencies that have had retrenchments between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013 (Official figures)

Attachment B      Number of agencies that have had retrenchments between 1 July 2013 and 31 October 2013 (Unofficial figures)

## Attachment A

### Number of agencies that have had retrenchments between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013 (Official figures)

Agency	Numbers
Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry	47
- Australian Fisheries Management Authority	1
Attorney-General's	41
- AUSTRAC	35
- Australian Crime Commission	5
- Australian Financial Security Authority	16
- Australian Human Rights Commission	1
- Australian Institute of Criminology	1
- Commonwealth DPP	31
- Customs & Border Protection	80
- Family Court of Australia	6
- Federal Circuit Court of Australia	1
- Federal Court of Australia	11
- OAIC	7
DBCDE	29
- ACMA	19
Defence	711
- Defence Housing Australia	1
DEEWR	18
- Comcare	6
- Fair Work Commission	43
- Fair Work Building and Construction	8
- Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	6
FaHCSIA	57
- Aboriginal Hostels Ltd.	29
- Workplace Gender Equality Agency	1
Finance and Deregulation	69
- Australian Electoral Commission	5
- ComSuper	13
Foreign Affairs and Trade	31
- ACIAR	1
- AusAID	1
- AUSTRADE	15
Health and Ageing	62
- ARPANSA	4
- NHMRC	1
- National Health Performance Authority	1
- Professional Services Review	1
Human Services	466
Immigration and Citizenship	18
Infrastructure and Transport	3
- Australian Transport Safety Bureau	1
DIICCSRTE	78
- AIATSIS	1
- Australian Research Council	1
- Clean Energy Regulator	2
Prime Minister and Cabinet	13
- ANAO	1
- Australian Public Service Commission	15
- OIGIS	1
- Office of National Assessments	2
Regional Australia	1
- Australian National Maritime Museum	1

- Australian Sports Anti-Doping Authority	2
- National Museum of Australia	5
Resources, Energy and Tourism	41
SEWPAC	128
- Bureau of Meteorology	25
- GBRMPA	2
- Murray Darling Basin Authority	5
Treasury	5
- Australian Bureau of Statistics	19
- ACCC	8
- ASIC	40
- Australian Taxation Office	254
- Productivity Commission	7
Veterans' Affairs	56
National Native Title Tribunal (NC)	8
Wheat Exports Australia (NC)	5
Climate Change and Energy Efficiency (NC)	50
<b>All</b>	<b>2679</b>

## Attachment B

### Number of agencies that have had retrenchments between 1 July 2013 and 31 October 2013 (Unofficial figures)<sup>1</sup>

Agencies	Numbers
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	1
Agriculture	28
Attorney-Generals	3
Australian Bureau of Statistics	5
Australian Communications & Media Authority	15
Australian Competition Consumer Comm.	8
Australian Crime Commission	7
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	9
Australian Human Rights Commission	1
Australian National Maritime Museum	11
Australian National Preventive Health Agency	1
Australian Public Service Commission	4
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	14
Australian Taxation Office	63
Australian Trade Commission	13
Australian Transaction Reports and Analysis Centre	4
Bureau of Meteorology	4
CRS Australia	10
Clean Energy Regulator	1
ComSuper (Commonwealth Superannuation Admin.)	3
Comcare	1
Communications	46
CrimTrac Agency	2
Defence	53
Department of Education	4
Department of Employment	1
Department of Industry	65
Department of Social Services	46
Director of Public Prosecutions	2
Education, Employment and Workplace Relations	3
Environment	7
Family Court and Federal Circuit Court	2
Finance	3
Foreign Affairs and Trade	3
Future Fund Management Agency	1
Health	17
Human Services	167
Immigration and Border Protection	11
Independent Hospital Pricing Authority	1
Infrastructure and Regional Development	1
National Disability Insurance Agency	1
National Health and Medical Research Council	1
National Museum of Australia	2
National Science and Technology Centre (Questacon)	1
Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	1
Prime Minister and Cabinet	15

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Productivity Commission	5
Regional Australia, Local Government, Arts and Sport	1
Treasury	2
Veterans Affairs	4
<b>All</b>	<b>674</b>