

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

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Office of the Commonwealth Ombudsman

Outcome/Program:

Outcome 1. Fair and accountable administrative action by Australian Government agencies by investigating complaints, reviewing administrative action and inspecting statutory compliance by law enforcement agencies.

Topic: Staffing

Senator: Senator Wong

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Question:

- (1) How many full-time equivalent staff are engaged at 29 November 2013?
- (2) How many of these positions are (a) on-going and (b) non-ongoing?
- (3) How many redundancies have occurred since 18 September 2013? How many were (a) voluntary and (b) involuntary?

Answer:

- (1) As at 29 November 2013, the Office engaged 147 full-time equivalent staff (this includes all active employees i.e. employees on temporary transfer/secondment to other agencies and on long term leave - paid and unpaid).
- (2) Of these positions:
 - (a) 135.2 of these positions were on-going; and
 - (b) 11.8 of these positions were non-ongoing
- (3) Since 18 September 2013, the Office had nil redundancies.