

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2015-16 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programmes Question No: SQ16-000018

Topic: Staffing Profile

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Senator Joe Ludwig asked:

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. Has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?
2. Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)

Answer:

1. Yes

2. The following changes occurred to the DSS staffing profile between 31 August 2015 to 31 December 2015. As a result of Machinery of Government (MoG) changes that took effect in November 2015 the staffing profile changed significantly. There has been negligible other changes.

Classification

APS Classification (equivalent)	Difference
APS1	-1
APS2	-9
APS3	-36
APS4	-48
APS5	-236
APS6	-480
EL1	-347
EL2	-116
SES1	-26
SES2	-12
SES3	-2
Total	-1,313

Division

Division	Difference
Aged Care Policy and Reform*	-126
Access, Quality and Compliance Group*	-174
Ageing and Aged Care Services*	-127
Aged Care Commissioner*	-12
Aged Care Pricing Commissioner*	-3
Early Childhood Care Support Group*	-93
Early Childhood Initiatives Group*	-80
Early Childhood Strategy Group*	-44
DSS Executive Group	-5
Legal Services Group*	-17
Delivery Strategy and Operations Group*	-573
Housing, Homelessness and Assurance Group	-14
Entry-level Programmes	-51
Programme Office Group	21
National Disability Insurance Scheme	-4
Multicultural, Settlement Services and Communities Group	6
Policy Office	13
Social Security Policy Group	-3
Family Safety Taskforce Group	-1
Families Group	21
Corporate Support Group*	-44
Finance and Services Group*	-13
Information Management and Technology Group*	8
Unallocated Group	2
Total	-1,313

*These Groups either transferred fully from DSS as part of MoG or were in part affected by the MoG.

Home base location

Location	Difference
ACT	-781
Canberra	-781
NSW	-166
Orange	1
Sydney	-167
NT	-19
Alice Springs	-5
Darwin	-14
QLD	-105
Brisbane	-91
Mackay	-1
Townsville	-13
SA	-54
Adelaide	-54
TAS	-22
Hobart	-22
VIC	-127
Melbourne	-127
WA	-39
Perth	-39
Total	-1,313