

**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: SQ16-000020**

**Topic: Kitchen Appliances**

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**Senator Joe Ludwig asked:**

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

1. How many ongoing staff have been recruited? What classification are these staff?
2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created? What classification are these staff?
3. How many staff have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

**Answer:**

1. Excluding changes as a result of Machinery of Government, from 14 September 2015 to 31 December 2015, 37 ongoing employees were recruited by DSS at the following classifications:

Classification	Total
APS 4	1
APS 5	5
APS 6	9
EL 1	12
EL 2	10
Total	37

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Excluding changes as a result of the Machinery of Government, as at 31 December 2015, 184 non-ongoing positions existed. From 14 September 2015 to 31 December 2015, 67 non-ongoing staff were recruited with an average service length of 204.22 days. The classification of these non-ongoing recruits is as follows:

Classification	Total
APS 3	25
APS 4	10
APS 5	17
APS 6	11
EL 1	2
EL 2	2
Total	67