

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross

**Question No:** 301

**Topic:** Staffing

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Smith** asked:

1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 2. How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff? 3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

**Answer:**

For the 2012-13 financial year to 31 May 2013, the Department recruited 396 ongoing staff.

APS1	APS2	APS3	APS4	APS5	APS6	EL1	EL2	Prof*	SES1	SES2	Total
13	2	70	11	52	105	72	53	9	6	3	396

At 31 May 2013, there were 344 non-ongoing staff in the Department.

APS1	APS2	APS3	APS4	APS5	APS6	EL1	EL2	Prof*	SES1	SES2	SES3	Total
3	6	24	81	46	52	67	45	7	8	3	2	344

\*Professionals – include Legal and Public Affairs Officers.

During the 2012-13 financial year to 31 May 2013, the Department employed 355 new staff on non-ongoing contracts. The average length of contract is 6.82 months.