

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2014-15 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross Outcome - Across Programs

**Question No:** 101

**Topic:** Staff Transfers

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Ludwig** asked:

Redundancies

1. How many positions have been made redundant in your department since the 2013 federal election?

(a) How many of these positions were ongoing?

(b) How many of these positions were non-ongoing?

(c) How many of these positions were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?

2. How many of the employees filling these redundant positions were redeployed since the 2013 federal election?

(a) How many of these employees were ongoing?

(b) How many of these employees were non-ongoing?

(c) How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?

3. How many of these employees were offered voluntary redundancies since the 2013 federal election?

(a) How many of these employees were ongoing?

(b) How many of these employees were non-ongoing?

(c) How many of these employees were situated in the Australian Capital Territory?

**Answer:**

1. Since the 2013 federal election, 274 Department of Social Security (DSS) positions have been made redundant. 224 positions were in the ACT. Non-ongoing employees are not able to be offered voluntary redundancies.

2. Nil.

3. Nil.