

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: 106

Topic: Staff Transfers

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Ludwig asked:

1. How many new employees have been engaged by your department on non-ongoing contracts since the 2013 federal election?
2. How many new non-ongoing engagements were submitted to the Public Service Commission for approval since the 2014 federal election?
3. How many of these new non-ongoing engagements were approved by the Public Service Commission?
 - (a) For every approved new engagement of a non-ongoing employee please provide the following details: the employee's age, gender, wage, APS level, a description of their job, the length of their non-ongoing contract, whether this position was advertised externally, the reason for engaging this new employee and the reason given by the Public Service Commission for approving this engagement, as well as all relevant dates relating to this application.
4. How many of these new non-ongoing employee applications were rejected by the Public Service Commission?
 - (a) For every new non-ongoing engagement rejected by the Public Service Commission please provide the following details: APS level, a description of their job, the length of their non-ongoing contract, the reason for engaging the new employee and the reason given by the Public Service Commission for rejecting this engagement, as well as all relevant dates relating to this application.

Answer:

1. Since the 2013 federal election, the Department of Social Services has engaged 52 new employees on non-ongoing contracts.
2. Please refer to the answer to Supplementary Estimates question number 104.