

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice

Budget Estimates Hearings May 2014

Communications Portfolio

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Question No: 37

Program No. Australian Broadcasting Corporation

Hansard Ref: In Writing

Topic: Contract Extensions

Senator Lundy asked:

1. Since the 18 September 2013 how many non-ongoing contracts has your Department/Agency extended?
2. How many non-ongoing contract extensions did your Department/Agency submit the Public Service Commission for approval?
3. How many of these extensions were approved by the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC)?
4. For every approved extension please provide the following details:
 - a. The employees age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position.
 - d. Their APS classification level.
 - e. Their wage.
 - f. Where they are located.
 - g. Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - h. The length of the approved extension.
 - i. The reason why the extension was submitted.
 - j. The reason why the extension was approved by the APSC.
 - k. Please provide all relevant dates.
5. How many of these extensions were rejected by the APSC?
6. For every rejected extension please provide the following details:
 - a. The employee's age.
 - b. Their gender.
 - c. A description of their position.
 - d. Their wage.
 - e. Where they were located.
 - f. Their length of continuous employment at the APS.
 - g. The length of the extension sought by the Department/Agency.
 - h. The reason why the extension was submitted.
 - i. The reason why the extension was rejected by the APSC.
 - j. Please provide all relevant dates.

Answer:

1. Since 18 September 2013 to end financial year 2014, a total of 724 non-ongoing contracts for 455 employees have been extended (N.B. that one employee can have multiple contract extensions)

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2, 3, 5. Not applicable.

4, 6. Noting that the ABC does not submit staffing requests to the Public Service Commission for approval, answers to a, b, d and f are as follows:

a. Contract Extensions by age:

Age Group	Total
<=20	7
21-30	252
31-40	226
41-50	159
51-60	60
>=61	20
Total	724

b. Contract Extensions by gender:

Age Group	Female	Male	Total
Total	432	292	724

d. Contract Extensions by Classification and Level:

Classification	Headcount
Admin/Professional Band 1	8
Admin/Professional Band 2	3
Admin/Professional Band 3	33
Admin/Professional Band 4	57
Admin/Professional Band 5	23
Admin/Professional Band 6	23
Admin/Professional Band 7	18
Admin/Professional Band 8	11
Admin/Professional Band 9	6
Content Maker Band 1	2
Content Maker Band 2	13
Content Maker Band 3	62
Content Maker Band 4	114
Content Maker Band 5	98
Content Maker Band 6	76
Content Maker Band 7	58

Classification	Headcount
Content Maker Band 8	28
Content Maker Band 9	15
HO Assistant Band 5	1
Senior Executive Level 1	11
Senior Executive Level 2	2
Senior Executive Level 3	2
Shop Assistant	1
Shop Manager Grade C	1
Shop Manager Grade E	1
Technologist Band 1	8
Technologist Band 3	14
Technologist Band 4	10
Technologist Band 5	9
Technologist Band 6	2
Technologist Band 7	9
Technologist Band 8	4
Technologist Band 9	1

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f. Contract Extensions by location:

Location	Headcount
ACT	11
NSW	442
NT	28
O/S	1
QLD	44
SA	23
TAS	5
VIC	150
WA	20
Grand Total	724

4, 6. c, e, g, h, i, j and k. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of resources.