Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications Legislation Committee

Answers to questions on notice **Environment portfolio**

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Senator Ludwig asked:

Since Budget Estimates in June, 2014, has there been any change to the staffing profile of the department/agency?

a. Provide a list of changes to staffing numbers, broken down by classification level, division, home base location (including town/city and state)

Answer:

Number of employees									
Department/Agency	1 May 2014	30 September 2014	Difference						
Department of the Environment ¹	2,655	2,556	-99						
Bureau of Meteorology	1,735	1,707	-28						
Clean Energy Regulator	336	339	+3						
Climate Change Authority	23	18	-5						
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	260	240	-20						
Murray Darling Basin Authority	310	304	-6						
National Water Commission	41	15	-26						
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust	68	65	-3						

¹ Includes staffing information for the Director of National Parks

Changes to staffing numbers between 1 May 2014 and 30 September 2014, by classification

Department/Agency	Trainee	Graduate	APS 1/2	APS 3	APS 4	APS 5	APS 6	EL1	EL2	SES B1	SES B2	SES B3	Agency Head	Total
Department of the Environment ¹	-1		-1	+21	-22	+10	-15	-48	-40	-1	-2			-99
Bureau of Meteorology	-1	+2		-10	-3	-7	-16	-5	+14		-2			-28
Clean Energy Regulator ²		-1			-6	+8	+9	-3	-5	+1				+3
Climate Change Authority						-1	-1	-2	-1					-5
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority			-13	-3	-3	-6	+7	+1	-3					-20
Murray Darling Basin Authority			+1		-2	-1	+4	-6	-2					-6
National Water Commission					-1	-3	-10	-10	-1	-1				-26
Sydney Harbour Federation Trust ³	-1			+2	-2	-1	-1							-3

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²³ Classifications are categorised under their standard APS equivalents

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Changes to staffing numbers by division

Information on changes to staffing numbers by division is not readily available for the Department as a result of major restructuring on 1 July 2014. Attempting to collect this information would substantially and unreasonably divert the resources of the Department from other operations.

Staff reductions in portfolio agencies have occurred across all areas.

Changes to staffing numbers by location

Changes to staffing numbers by location in the Department and portfolio agencies have occurred in all States and Territories.