

Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications

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Australia Council

Question No: 154(g)

Australia Council

Hansard Ref: Written,

Topic: Programmes

Senator Urquhart, Anne asked:

Please provide an itemised table detailing the following information:

Every program administered by the department and all portfolio agencies within it

- (a) The total funding allocated for each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15
- (b) The number of organisations funded under the program in each in those years, the name of each organisation funded and the dollar value of that funding
- (c) The number of individuals projected to be serviced or services to be delivered through each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15
- (d) The total funding actually expended on each in 2015-16 and 2014-15
- (e) The number of individuals actually serviced or services actually delivered through each in 2015-16 and 2014-15
- (f) The aggregate staff budget for each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15 broken down by i) permanent APS staff and ii) contractors.
- (g) The number of permanent APS staff responsible for delivering each in 2016-17, 2015-16 and 2014-15, the classification of these staff and their geographic location.
- (h) The dollar value of external advice contracted to support each in 2016-17, as well as the number of contractors engaged, the APS-equivalent classification these contractors were engaged at and their geographic location.

Answer

(a)

Total funding allocation by program			
	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Major Performing Arts	Not yet available	\$107.8 million	\$106.0 million
Council Grants and Initiatives	Not yet available	\$28.0 million	\$33.8 million
Government Initiatives	Not yet available	\$15.4 million	\$28.6 million
Key Organisations	Not yet available	\$22.6 million	\$23.1 million

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- (b) The information requested in this question is available on Council's website at <https://online.australiacouncil.gov.au/ords/GrantsList>. To provide the information in the format requested would be an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.
- (c) The Australia Council does not record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.

(d)

Total funding expenditure by program		
	2015-16	2014-15
Major Performing Arts	\$107.8 million	\$106.0 million
Council Grants and Initiatives	\$28.0 million	\$33.8 million
Government Initiatives	\$15.4 million	\$28.6 million
Key Organisations	\$22.6 million	\$23.1 million

- (e) The Australia Council does not record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.

(f)

	2016-17	2015-16	2014-15
Aggregate Staff Budget	12,905	13,177	13,502

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	30 June 2014	30 June 2015	30 June 2016
Australia Council Staff	131.4 FTE	113.9 FTE	102.3 FTE

- (h) The Australia Council does not record this data in a way that would readily allow for this information to be identified. To attempt to provide this level of detail would involve an unreasonable diversion of agency resources.