

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
Industry, Innovation and Science Portfolio  
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**DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

**TOPIC:** Contracts for Temporary Staff

**REFERENCE:** Written Question – Senator Ludwig

**QUESTION No.:** AI-56

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How much did the department/agency spend on temporary or contract staff?
2. How many temporary or contract staff have been employed?
3. What is the total number of temporary or contract staff currently employed?
4. How much was paid for agencies/companies to find temporary/contract staff?
5. Have there been any changes to the policies/criteria that govern the appointment of contract staff?

**ANSWER**

- 1-4 Payment and management of temporary or contract staff (Contract staff) is managed by each division, the information is not held centrally, to provide this level of detail would require an unreasonable diversion of resources.
5. There has been no change to the policies/criteria governing the appointment of non-ongoing staff. The Australian Public Service Commission policy for Non-ongoing (temporary) employment is at <http://www.apsc.gov.au/publications-and-media/current-publications/non-ongoing-temporary-employment-the-essentials>