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Department/Agency: Australian Charities and Not-for-Profits Commission

Question: BET 30

Topic: Organisations registered under C(ATSI) Act

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Senator: Siewert, Rachel

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Senator SIEWERT: How many organisations would you have that are registered under C(ATSI) Act?

Mr Locke: I believe it is about 2000. It is somewhere in that region, but we will take the precise figure on notice.

Senator SIEWERT: There is a large number registered as charities that are also registered under the C(ATSI) Act. Can you also take on notice the nature of those organisations—whether they are PBCs and so on? How many organisations do you have registered now?

Answer:

Number of charities registered under CATSI Act

As at 30 June 2015, there are 789 charities registered with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) that are also registered with the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) under the *Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006* (the CATSI Act).

Prescribed Bodies Corporate

Of the 786 charities registered with both the ACNC and ORIC, 35 are prescribed bodies corporate (PBC).

Subtypes of charities registered under the CATSI Act

The table below notes the subtypes held by the 789 charities registered under the CATSI Act.

Subtype	Number
Public Benevolent Institution	528
Advancing social or public welfare	66
Advancing education	41
Advancing culture	38
Advancing natural environment	8
Purposes beneficial to the general public and other analogous to the other charitable purposes	8
Promoting reconciliation, mutual respect and tolerance	8

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between groups of individuals that are in Australia	
Health Promotion Charity	6
Advancing religion	4
Promoting or protecting human rights	3
Promote or oppose a change to law, government policy or practice	2
Preventing or relieving suffering of animals	0
Advancing security or safety of Australia or Australian public	0
No current subtype	223

Please note registered charities can have more than one sub-type.

ACNC registered charities

The ACNC Charity Register has 54,494 charities listed on it.

Since the establishment of the ACNC, we have revoked or removed from the Charity Register approximately 9,000 charities. These charities were revoked/removed from the Charity Register as they failed to submit an Annual Information Statement for two consecutive years, or were no longer operating.

The ACNC revoked/removed these charities from the Charity Register to ensure members of the public and donors have access to an accurate and up-to-date register of charities.

In the same period we have registered over 6,000 new charities.