

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

**Cross Portfolio**

**Department of Education Question No. ED0165\_15**

**Senator Ludwig provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Dept & all agencies: FoI Requests**

Since September 7, 2013: 1. How many requests for documents under the FOI Act have been received? 2. Of these, how many documents have been determined to be deliberative documents? 3. Of those assessed as deliberative documents: a. For how many has access to the document been refused on the basis that it would be contrary to the public interest? b. For how many has a redacted document been provided?

**Answer**

**Department of Education**

The department has received 92 requests under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* since the department's commencement on 18 September 2013 and up to 30 June 2014. The department does not keep statistics on the number of documents determined to be deliberative.

**Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies**

AIATSIS received 4 FOI requests since September 2013. No documents were determined to be deliberative.

**Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority**

ACARA has received 11 requests under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* since 7 September 2013 and up to 30 June 2014. One (1) of these requests covered two (2) documents, both of which were determined to contain, amongst other things, information of a deliberative nature. Both documents were released in part, with the deliberative matter being redacted.

**Australian Research Council**

1. Four
2. None
3. N/A
- 3a. N/A
- 3b. N/A

**Tertiary Education Quality and Standards Agency**

1. TEQSA received one request under the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* since 7 September 2013.
2. Nil
3. Nil

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**Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership**  
AITSL provides a Not Applicable response.