

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 2015-16

Finance Portfolio
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Department/Agency: All
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Topic: Contracts for Temporary Staff

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Question:

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:

| Department/ Agency | Response |
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| Finance | <p>For the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Temporary staff nil, contract staff (including operating and capital expenditure) \$2,807,494. 2. 14 temporary staff and 8 new contractors have been employed. 3. 20 temporary staff and 45 contractors. 4. \$35,331 was paid to agencies for the placement of temporary staff. Nil for contractors. 5. No. |
| Australian Electoral Commission | <p>For the period 14 September 2015 to 31 January 2016:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. \$3,055,533. 2. 492 non-ongoing staff were employed. 3. As at 31 January 2016 there were 827 non-ongoing staff. 42 of these were on fixed term contracts. The remaining contracts were issued for irregular |

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| | and intermittent duties. 4. As the responsibility for employment of temporary or contract staff is devolved, the AEC is unable to disaggregate the specific costs. 5. No. |
| Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation | For the period 14 September 2015 to 9 February 2016: 1. \$1,343,257 2. 30. 3. 30. 4. \$23,821. 5. No. |
| Future Fund Management Agency | For the period 14 September 2015 to 9 February 2016: 1. \$74,027.80 2. Five 3. One 4. Nil. 5. No. |