

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

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**Department/Agency:** Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet

**Outcome/Program:** Program

**Topic:** Staffing Recruitment

**Senator:** Senator the Hon Joe Ludwig

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**Question:**

- a) How many ongoing staff were recruited from Additional Estimates in February 2014 to date? What classification are these staff?
- b) How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created from Additional Estimates in February 2014 to date? What classification are these staff?
- c) From Additional Estimates in February 2014 to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period

**Answer:**

- a) 78 as at 16 June 2014. The classification of these staff is outlined below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
SES Band 2	2
EL 2	11
EL 1	6
APS 6	13
APS 5	7
APS4	3
Graduate	34
APS 3	1
APS 2	1

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- b) 64 as at 16 June 2014. The classification of the non-ongoing positions is outlined below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
EL 1	9
APS 6	26
APS 5	8
APS4	13
APS 3	8

- c) The Department's systems do not capture this information in a way that would make it readily available. A manual process would be required to provide a response to this question which would involve an unreasonable diversion of employee resources.