

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee —  
Budget Estimates Hearing—May 2017**

**Answers to Questions on Notice**

**Parliamentary departments, Department of Parliamentary Services**

Topic: **PSS staffing numbers by classification**

Question: **22**

Hansard Reference: **p 112, 22 May 2017**

**Date set by the committee for the return of answer: 7 July 2017**

**Senator WONG:** I cannot find it in front of me, but thank you for agreeing. How many are in each classification level? How many at 1 and 2, and how many at 3 and 4?

**Mr Cooper:** We have 10 PSL3s.

**Senator WONG:** And the remainder?

**Mr Cooper:** I might have to take that on notice.

**Answer**

A breakdown of PSS staffing is at Attachment A.

## DPS PARLIAMENTARY SECURITY SERVICE (PSS) STAFFING NUMBERS

TOTAL PSS HEADCOUNT (PSS and PSS ADMIN SUPPORT)						
Classification	Employment type	30 June 2015	30 June 2016	31 March 2017	30 April 2017	31 May 2017
Security Operations Section (incl. Section admin, PSS Support, Parl Ops Room, Security Technology)	Ongoing F/T	96	128	151 <sup>1</sup>	148	149
	Ongoing P/T sessional	44	10	11	10	9
	Non-ongoing fixed term P/T	3	3	1	1	1
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	4	5	1	1	1
	Non-ongoing casual	25	33	27	28	27
<b>GRAND TOTAL – HEAD COUNT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>187</b>

PSS STAFFING NUMBERS – BY HEADCOUNT						
Classification	Employment type	30 June 2015	30 June 2016	31 March 2017	30 April 2017	31 May 2017
PSL1/2 – Contains only security guards (PSS teams and Parl Ops Room)	Ongoing F/T	64	92	118	118	117
	Ongoing P/T sessional	39	10	11	10	9
	Non-ongoing fixed term P/T	3	2	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	1	-	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing casual	25	33	27	28	27
<b>PSL1/2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>153</b>
PSL3 – Contains only security guards (PSS teams and Parl Ops Room)	Ongoing F/T	10	11	10	10	11
	Ongoing P/T sessional	-	-	-	-	-
	Non-going fixed term F/T	-	1	-	-	-
<b>PSL3</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
PSL4 – Contains only security guards (PSS teams and Parl Ops Room)	Ongoing F/T	8	11	10	9	11
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	-	-	1	1	1
<b>PSL4</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Totals</b>	Ongoing F/T	82	114	138	137	139
	Ongoing P/T sessional	39	10	11	10	9
	Non-ongoing fixed term P/T	3	2	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	1	1	1	1	1
	Non-ongoing casual	25	33	27	28 <sup>2</sup>	27
<b>PSS – HEAD COUNT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>150<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>160</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>176<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>176</b>

PSS ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT – BY HEADCOUNT						
Classification	Employment type	30 June 2015	30 June 2016	31 March 2017	30 April 2017	31 May 2017
PSL1/2	Ongoing F/T	-	1	-	-	-
<b>PSL1/2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
PSL2	Ongoing F/T	1	1	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	-	1	-	-	-
<b>PSL2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
PSL3	Ongoing F/T	2	4	2	1	2
	Ongoing P/T	2	-	-	-	-
<b>PSL3</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
PSL4	Ongoing F/T	-	-	1	-	-
<b>PSL4</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
PSL5	Ongoing F/T	3	1	3	3	3
	Ongoing P/T sessional	1	-	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	-	2	-	-	-
<b>PSL5</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
PSL6	Ongoing F/T	3	4	4	5	3
	Ongoing P/T	2	-	-	-	-
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	1	1	-	-	-
<b>PSL6</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>
PEL1	Ongoing F/T	3	2	2	1	1
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	1	-	-	-	-
<b>PEL1</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
PEL2	Ongoing F/T	2	1	1	1	1
	Non-ongoing fixed term P/T	-	-	1	1	1
	Non-ongoing fixed term F/T	1	1	-	-	-
<b>PEL2</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>PSS Admin Support – HEAD COUNT</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>

1 Response provided to Question on Notice 21 from Additional Estimates 2016-17

2 DPS Secretary's response to Senator Wong – numbers of casual PSS staff – page 113 of the Hansard, Budget Estimates

3 DPS Secretary's response to Senator Wong – number of PSS staff at 30 June 2015 – page 112 of the Hansard, Budget Estimates

4 DPS Secretary's response to Senator Wong – number of PSS staff at 30 April 2017 – page 112 of the Hansard, Budget Estimates