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Question No: 843

Topic: Average Salary Across Treasury

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Senator Cormann asked:

Senator CORMANN: For current staff, can you tell me what the average salary is for staff at each level in Treasury up to and including the EL2 section head?

Senator Wong: Is that on notice?

Senator CORMANN: Yes. I am interested also in knowing how those figures compare at each level with those for other agencies in the Treasury portfolio, including staff at the Australian Bureau of Statistics.

Senator Wong: Stop. Hang on. Let us be clear what we have been asked to take on notice. We have been asked to take on notice essentially the information about staffing levels above EL2 and the number of positions in each of those levels for the unit. You have then asked for a comparator. What is the purpose of that?

Senator CORMANN: I am trying to get a sense as to where the average salary at equivalent levels in the Treasury department—how it compares with the average salary in other Treasury portfolio agencies. I don't think there is anything—

Senator Wong: We are not going to do it across every agency, are we? You want some comparator; we will also include other parts of the department as well.

Senator CORMANN: Including the ABS. That would be great. Thanks.

CHAIR: The ABS is under a separate enterprise bargaining agreement to Treasury, is it not?

Mr Donnelly: Yes, it is.

CHAIR: A separate agreement. And separate wages structure and separate classifications.

Dr Parkinson: Can I just clarify. Do you want to know the average actual salary rather than the bands that are in the certified agreement.

Senator CORMANN: Actual average salaries rather than the bands; that is right.

Dr Parkinson: At all levels up to and including EL2?

Senator CORMANN: That is right. Thank you.

Dr Parkinson: That is fine.

Answer:

The Treasury Average Salaries and Salary Bands

Level	Bands	Average
Cadet		\$ 23,409
APS 1	\$41,068 - \$44597	\$ 44,597
APS 2	\$47,338 - \$50471	\$ 50,471
APS 3	\$53,605 - \$56,736	\$ 55,660
APS 4	\$59,871 - \$63,003	\$ 61,124
APS 5	\$67,314 - \$71,624	\$ 70,922
APS 6	\$75,932 - \$91,994	\$ 83,640
EL 1	\$99,045 - \$113,617	\$ 105,441
EL 2	\$120,981 - \$138,845	\$ 129,692