

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
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DEEWR Question No. EW0179_11

Senator Scullion asked on 31/05/2010, Hansard page 48.

Question

Indigenous Staffing

Ms Paul—There will be more than just my department that has a Reconciliation Action Plan with some targets about recruitment too. So we have a Reconciliation Action Plan for DEEWR which is very well regarded by Reconciliation Australia and has a target in it of 330 employees by the end of June who are Indigenous Australians. We are not quite there, but we are hoping to get there by the end of June. Senator SCULLION—How close are you? Ms Paul—I think we are at about 314. Senator SCULLION—Are they full time employees? Ms Paul—I think so. Yes, I am sure most of them are. Senator SCULLION—If you can add that answer to those other answers, it will be very useful. Ms Paul—Yes, sure

Answer

Following are details of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employees in DEEWR:

Date	Full Time	Part Time	Total
31 March 2010	287	25	312
30 June 2010	314	27	341