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Question:

1. How many ongoing staff were recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?

- 2. How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?
- 3. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

1. Forty-four (44) ongoing staff have been recruited this financial year (to 31 January 2012). The classifications of these staff were:

| Graduate – 22 | APS 6 – 6 |
|---------------|-------------|
| APS $2 - 1$ | EL 1 - 4 |
| APS $3 - 1$ | EL 2 - 1 |
| APS $4-3$ | SES $1 - 2$ |
| APS $5 - 4$ | |

In addition, 2 ongoing staff were recruited from other APS agencies for temporary reassignment of duties (APS 5 and EL 2).

- 2. The ANAO has temporary positions for APS 1 (Undergraduates) only, with 8 positions filled on a casual basis during this financial year to 31 January 2012. One of these Undergraduates was later employed as an ongoing Graduate and is therefore also included in the figures at answer 1. All other non ongoing staff are employed to fill vacancies in ongoing positions on a temporary basis only.
- 3. In addition to the 8 casual APS 1 (Undergraduates), the ANAO employed 17 non ongoing staff in the current financial year to 31 January 2012 (two of these non ongoing staff were

later employed as ongoing staff members and are therefore also included in the figures at answer 1). The average length of their employment period is 5.9 months.