

**Senate Finance & Public Administration Legislation Committee**

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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Australian Public Service Commission**

Budget Estimates 2004 - 05

**Question: PM 31**

**Topic:** Latest figure of the number of Senior Executive Service officers in the APS.

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**Senator Forshaw asked:** From the State of the Service Report 2002-03, the number of senior executive service officers has increased from 1,543 in 1998 to 1,872 in 2003. Could you give us on notice the latest figure?

**Answer:**

Finalised data for June 2004 will not be available until the State of the Service Report is tabled in November. Data on the APS Employment Database (APSED) is provided to the APS Commission by agencies throughout the year. In addition, a snapshot file for 30 June each year is provided by each agency by the middle of July. Data is then cleaned, analysed and reported on in the State of the Service Report.

Preliminary data for December 2003 for ongoing SES staff by agency is at Attachment A. This data is an estimate, and will be subject to revision when the 2004 State of the Service Report is tabled. Data for SES by agency at June 1998 is at Attachment B. Due to changes in agency structure between 1998 and 2003, direct comparisons are not possible for some agencies.

**Ongoing SES by agency, December 2003****Attachment A**

Aboriginal Hostels Ltd	2
ACCC	16
Agriculture Fisheries and Forestry Australia	102
AIATSIS	1
ANAO	22
ARPANSA	2
ATSIC	2
ATSIS	39
Attorney-General	57
AUSTRAC	1
Australian Broadcasting Authority	5
Australian Bureau of Statistics	37
Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research	10
Australian Communications Authority	12
Australian Crime Commission	6
Australian Customs Services	35
Australian Greenhouse Office	10
Australian Industrial Registry	2
Australian Institute of Health and Welfare	4
Australian Protective Services	1
Australian Public Service Commission	10
Australian Research Council	2
Australian Securities and Investments Commission	34
Australian Taxation Office	197
Australian War Memorial	3
Bureau of Meteorology	15
Centrelink	87
Comcare	6
Commonwealth Grants Commission	3
Commonwealth Ombudsman	6
Communications and Information Technology	28
ComSuper (Commonwealth Superannuation Admin.)	3
Defence	121
Defence Housing Authority	3
Director of Public Prosecutions	37
Education, Science and Training	42
Employment and Workplace Relations	69
Environment and Heritage	35
Family and Community Services	57
Family Court of Australia	12
Federal Court of Australia	8
Finance and Administration	49
Food Standards Australia New Zealand	3
Foreign Affairs and Trade	203
Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority	2
Health and Ageing	94
Human Rights & Equal Opportunity Comm.	1
Immigration and Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs	51
Industry, Tourism and Resources	73

Insolvency Trustee Service Australia	5
IP Australia	7
National Archives of Australia	6
National Capital Authority	1
National Library of Australia	8
National Museum of Australia	3
National Native Title Tribunal	1
National Oceans Office	1
NOIE	11
Office of Film and Literature Classification	1
Office of National Assessments	6
Office of the Inspector-General of Taxation	1
Office of the Parliamentary Counsel	18
Office of the Privacy Commissioner	1
Prime Minister and Cabinet	29
Productivity Commission	16
Professional Services Review	1
Transport and Regional Services	41
Treasury	77
Veterans Affairs	32
Worksafe Australia (NOHSC)	4
Unknown*	8
Total	1898

\* Preliminary data which hasn't yet been fully cleaned

**Ongoing SES by agency, 1998****Attachment B**

Aboriginal Hostels Ltd.	2
ACCC	13
AIATSIS	1
ANAO	21
APS Commission	7
ATSIC	26
Attorney-Generals	102
Aust Securities Commission (NC)	31
Aust. Broadcasting Authority	5
Aust. Communications Authority	12
Aust. Institute of Health & Welfare	3
AUSTRAC	2
Australian Bureau of Statistics	37
Australian Customs Service	34
Australian Electoral Comm.	1
Australian Industrial Registry	7
Australian Taxation Office	118
Australian War Memorial	5
Biodiversity Group	6
Bureau of Meteorology	7
Centrelink	48
Comcare	5
Commonwealth Ombudsman	4
Communications and the Arts (NC)	27
Communications IT & the Arts	2
ComSuper	5
Defence	88
Defence Housing Authority	3
DIMIA	30
Employment Education Training and YA (NC)	52
Environment (NC)	34
Family Court of Australia	25
Federal Court of Australia	8
Finance and Administration	52
Foreign Affairs & Trade	169
GBRMPA	2
Health Family Services (NC)	81
House of Representatives (NC)	4
HREOC	3
Industry Science and Tourism (NC)	51
Industry Tourism & Resources	6
Insurance and superannuation Comm. (NC)	21
Joint House (NC)	4
National Archives of Australia	3
National Capital Authority	2
National Crime Authority (NC)	17
National Library of Australia	4
National Museum of Australia	2
National Native Title Tribunal	2
Office of National Assessments	7
Office of the D.P.P.	28
Office of the Parl. Counsel	12
Parliamentary Library (NC)	2
Parliamentary Reporting Staff (NC)	5

Primary Industry and Energy (NC)	71
Prime Minister & Cabinet	30
Productivity Commission	18
Senate (NC)	6
Social Security (NC)	23
Transport and Regional Development (NC)	33
Treasury	48
Veterans Affairs	32
Workplace Relations and Small Business (NC)	31
Worksafe Australia	3
Total	1543

Source: APSED

Note: NC means that the agency was not current at June 2003