

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**Supplementary Budget Estimates Hearing – May 2011**  
ANSWER TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Prime Minister and Cabinet portfolio

**Department/Agency:** Office of the Official Secretary to the Governor-General

**Program 1:** Support for the Governor-General and Official Activities

**Outcome 1:** The performance of the Governor-General's role is facilitated through the organisation and management of official duties, management and maintenance of the official household and property and administration of the Australian Honours and Awards system.

**Topic:** Staffing

**Senator:** FIFIELD

**Question reference number:** PM128

**Type of Question:** Written

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1. How many permanent staff recruited this FYTD?
2. What classification are these staff?
3. How many temporary positions exist or have been created this FYTD?
4. This FYTD, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

**Answer:**

1. 10 ongoing staff have been recruited this FYTD
2. 1 x GHO2; 5 x GHO3; 1 x GHO5; 2 x GHO7; 1 x GHO8
3. Nil
4. All staff were employed on contracts of up to 5 years, with 5 years being the norm.