

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

Priorities and Coordination Division

Question No. 174

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 27 May 2009:

In relation to the Portfolio's media monitoring;

- a) how much was spent on media monitoring in the 2009 calendar year,
- b) how many staff in each department/agency are employed for media related duties?

The answer to the honourable senator's question is as follows:

a) and b)

Department/Agency	Media Monitoring for 2009 calendar year (ex GST) to 27 May	Number of Staff Employed for Media Related Duties*
Attorney-General's Department	\$102,957	6
Administrative Appeals Tribunal	\$2,551	Nil
Australian Commission for Law Enforcement Integrity	Nil	Nil
Australian Crime Commission	\$84,657	2
Australian Customs and Border Protection Service	\$67,899	5
Australian Federal Police	\$106,035	12
Australian Government Solicitor	Nil	1 staff member, with very minor media duties
Australian Human Rights Commission	\$6,855	2
Australian Institute of Criminology and Criminology Research Council	Nil	2
Australian Law Reform Commission	Nil	2 staff @ a half day per week = 0.20 full-time equivalent (FTE)
Australian Security Intelligence Organisation	ASIO does not publish financial data beyond that published in its <i>Report to Parliament</i> for reasons of national security.	ASIO does not provide a breakdown of its staffing below that which is already provided in ASIO's <i>Report to</i>

		<i>Parliament</i> for reasons of national security.
AUSTRAC	\$99,722	2 staff @ 30% = 0.6FTE 3 staff @ 10% = 0.3FTE
CrimTrac	\$7,592	2
Family Court of Australia	\$9,685	1.5 FTE (1 Media Advisor + 0.25 Communications Manager + 0.25 Strategic Communications Officer)
Federal Court of Australia	\$10,527	1
Federal Magistrates Court	\$8,271	0.3 FTE to manage all communication activities across the Court
High Court of Australia	Nil	1 @ 50% = 0.5FTE
Insolvency and Trustee Service Australia	\$2,191	Nil
National Capital Authority	\$5,749	0.8 FTE
National Native Title Tribunal	\$8,413	3
Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions	\$19,477	1 @ 50% = 0.5FTE
Office of Parliamentary Counsel	Nil	Nil

* "Staff employed for media related duties" is interpreted as officers with a duty statement that includes dealing with news media/journalists.