

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

Question No. 1

Senator Marshall asked the following question at the hearing on 18 November 2013:

Senator SINGH: I return to staffing in the Ministry for the Arts and its associated divisions. I think we have been given a figure, Ms Basser, on the Ministry for the Arts. There are obviously other staffing numbers in various divisions. I would appreciate it if you could go through those divisions and provide those staffing numbers as well.

Mr Wilkins: I am sorry, you might have misunderstood what I just said. The number of people in the Attorney-General's Department who were in the Ministry for the Arts who came across is about, as Ms Basser said, approximately 113. The other agencies that you are referring to are not part of the Attorney-General's Department, and that is why I was asking that you list the other agencies that you were talking about.

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Senator MARSHALL: So if Senator Singh were actually asking about how many people are employed under the umbrella, that covers the arts?

Mr Wilkins: That is—

Senator MARSHALL: You would have to add all those things up for us. Who can answer that question?

Ms Basser: We would need to take that on notice.

Mr Wilkins: We will take that on notice and give you the answer.

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

The table below shows the Arts portfolio by agency and the average staffing level for the 2012-2013 financial year.

Portfolio breakdown	Average Staffing Level¹
Australian Council	124
Australian Film, Television and Radio School	150
Australian National Maritime Museum	115
National Film and Sound Archive of Australia	211
National Gallery of Australia	245
National Library of Australia	434
National Museum of Australia	221
National Portrait Gallery of Australia	59
Screen Australia	112
Old Parliament House	72
Bundanon Trust	19
Creative Partnerships Australia	33
Ministry for the Arts	156
Total Arts Portfolio	1951

¹Portfolio Budget Statements 2013-14