# Joint Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence and Trade 

Review of the Defence Annual Report 2015-16 - 17 February 2017

## ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Topic: Defence Annual Report 2015-16 - Statistics - Women - 12 Months - Regular and Reserve

## Question reference number: 7

Senator: Reynolds
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## Question:

CHAIR: Would you be able to provide the committee with a breakdown of the numbers that you have provided in terms of gender, particularly women, by rank, and also whether there are any changes? Over the last 12 months, are some going up or going down. If you could break that up into regular and Reserve.
MAJGEN Burr: I can do that, yes.

## Answer:

The breakdown of the Australian Defence Force workforce by gender, comparing 1 February 2016 to 1 February 2017, is in the following table.

| Headcount | 01/ 02/ 2016 |  |  |  | 01/ 02/ 2017 |  |  |  | $\%$ <br> Change |
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|  | Female | Male | \% Female | Total | Female | Male | \% Female | Total |  |
| NAVY | 3488 | 14334 | 19.6\% | 17822 | 3356 | 13214 | 20.3\% | 16570 | 0.7\% |
| Permanent | 2649 | 11307 | 19.0\% | 13956 | 2739 | 11170 | 19.7\% | 13909 | 0.7\% |
| Officers | 648 | 2636 | 19.7\% | 3284 | 699 | 2695 | 20.6\% | 3394 | 0.9\% |
| Senior Officer | 23 | 158 | 12.7\% | 181 | 22 | 164 | 11.8\% | 186 | -0.9\% |
| J unior Officer | 625 | 2478 | 20.1\% | 3103 | 677 | 2531 | 21.1\% | 3208 | 1.0\% |
| Enlisted | 2001 | 8671 | 18.8\% | 10672 | 2040 | 8475 | 19.4\% | 10515 | 0.6\% |
| Senior OR | 301 | 2313 | 11.5\% | 2614 | 314 | 2303 | 12.0\% | 2617 | 0.5\% |
| J unior OR | 1700 | 6358 | 21.1\% | 8058 | 1726 | 6172 | 21.9\% | 7898 | 0.8\% |
| CFTS | 83 | 293 | 22.1\% | 376 | 69 | 211 | 24.6\% | 280 | 2.5\% |
| Officers | 43 | 176 | 19.6\% | 219 | 39 | 127 | 23.5\% | 166 | 3.9\% |
| Senior Officer |  | 7 | 0.0\% | 7 |  | 6 | 0.0\% | 6 | 0.0\% |
| J unior Officer | 43 | 169 | 20.3\% | 212 | 39 | 121 | 24.4\% | 160 | 4.1\% |
| Enlisted | 40 | 117 | 25.5\% | 157 | 30 | 84 | 26.3\% | 114 | 0.8\% |
| Senior OR | 20 | 95 | 17.4\% | 115 | 15 | 67 | 18.3\% | 82 | 0.9\% |
| J unior OR | 20 | 22 | 47.6\% | 42 | 15 | 17 | 46.9\% | 32 | -0.7\% |
| Active Reserve | 756 | 2734 | 21.7\% | 3490 | 548 | 1833 | 23.0\% | 2381 | 1.3\% |
| Officers | 241 | 1083 | 18.2\% | 1324 | 201 | 908 | 18.1\% | 1109 | -0.1\% |
| Senior Officer | 6 | 122 | 4.7\% | 128 | 9 | 127 | 6.6\% | 136 | 1.9\% |
| Junior Officer | 235 | 961 | 19.6\% | 1196 | 192 | 781 | 19.7\% | 973 | 0.1\% |
| Enlisted | 515 | 1651 | 23.8\% | 2166 | 347 | 925 | 27.3\% | 1272 | 3.5\% |
| Senior OR | 137 | 736 | 15.7\% | 873 | 118 | 530 | 18.2\% | 648 | 2.5\% |
| J unior OR | 378 | 915 | 29.2\% | 1293 | 229 | 395 | 36.7\% | 624 | 7.5\% |


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|  | Female | Male | \% Female | Total | Female | Male | \% Female | Total |  |
| ARMY | 5403 | 37469 | 12.6\% | 42872 | 5773 | 38008 | 13.2\% | 43781 | 0.6\% |
| Permanent | 3564 | 25860 | 12.1\% | 29424 | 3829 | 26369 | 12.7\% | 30198 | 0.6\% |
| Officers | 1044 | 5367 | 16.3\% | 6411 | 1098 | 5458 | 16.7\% | 6556 | 0.4\% |
| Senior Officer | 30 | 235 | 11.3\% | 265 | 36 | 250 | 12.6\% | 286 | 1.3\% |
| J unior Officer | 1014 | 5132 | 16.5\% | 6146 | 1062 | 5208 | 16.9\% | 6270 | 0.4\% |
| Enlisted | 2520 | 20493 | 11.0\% | 23013 | 2731 | 20911 | 11.6\% | 23642 | 0.6\% |
| Senior OR | 551 | 4707 | 10.5\% | 5258 | 540 | 4634 | 10.4\% | 5174 | -0.1\% |
| J unior OR | 1969 | 15786 | 11.1\% | 17755 | 2191 | 16277 | 11.9\% | 18468 | 0.8\% |
| CFTS | 52 | 404 | 11.4\% | 456 | 59 | 381 | 13.4\% | 440 | 2.0\% |
| Officers | 17 | 121 | 12.3\% | 138 | 24 | 146 | 14.1\% | 170 | 1.8\% |
| Senior Officer |  | 8 | 0.0\% | 8 | 2 | 5 | 28.6\% | 7 | 28.6\% |
| J unior Officer | 17 | 113 | 13.1\% | 130 | 22 | 141 | 13.5\% | 163 | 0.4\% |
| Enlisted | 35 | 283 | 11.0\% | 318 | 35 | 235 | 13.0\% | 270 | 2.0\% |
| Senior OR | 11 | 62 | 15.1\% | 73 | 6 | 55 | 9.8\% | 61 | -5.3\% |
| J unior OR | 24 | 221 | 9.8\% | 245 | 29 | 180 | 13.9\% | 209 | 4.1\% |
| Active Reserve | 1787 | 11205 | 13.8\% | 12992 | 1885 | 11258 | 14.3\% | 13143 | 0.5\% |
| Officers | 421 | 2330 | 15.3\% | 2751 | 431 | 2297 | 15.8\% | 2728 | 0.5\% |
| Senior Officer | 13 | 87 | 13.0\% | 100 | 11 | 91 | 10.8\% | 102 | -2.2\% |
| J unior Officer | 408 | 2243 | 15.4\% | 2651 | 420 | 2206 | 16.0\% | 2626 | 0.6\% |
| Enlisted | 1366 | 8875 | 13.3\% | 10241 | 1454 | 8961 | 14.0\% | 10415 | 0.7\% |
| Senior OR | 229 | 1547 | 12.9\% | 1776 | 229 | 1493 | 13.3\% | 1722 | 0.4\% |
| J unior OR | 1137 | 7328 | 13.4\% | 8465 | 1225 | 7468 | 14.1\% | 8693 | 0.7\% |


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|  | Female | Male | \% Female | Total | Female | Male | \% Female | Total |  |
| RAAF | 3625 | 15255 | 19.2\% | 18880 | 3841 | 15344 | 20.0\% | 19185 | 0.8\% |
| Permanent | 2694 | 11579 | 18.9\% | 14273 | 2850 | 11475 | 19.9\% | 14325 | 1.0\% |
| Officers | 1092 | 3908 | 21.8\% | 5000 | 1113 | 3953 | 22.0\% | 5066 | 0.2\% |
| Senior Officer | 24 | 183 | 11.6\% | 207 | 24 | 186 | 11.4\% | 210 | -0.2\% |
| J unior Officer | 1068 | 3725 | 22.3\% | 4793 | 1089 | 3767 | 22.4\% | 4856 | 0.1\% |
| Enlisted | 1602 | 7671 | 17.3\% | 9273 | 1737 | 7522 | 18.8\% | 9259 | 1.5\% |
| Senior OR | 428 | 2587 | 14.2\% | 3015 | 447 | 2590 | 14.7\% | 3037 | 0.5\% |
| J unior OR | 1174 | 5084 | 18.8\% | 6258 | 1290 | 4932 | 20.7\% | 6222 | 1.9\% |
| CFTS | 14 | 63 | 18.2\% | 77 | 13 | 56 | 18.8\% | 69 | 0.6\% |
| Officers | 9 | 40 | 18.4\% | 49 | 7 | 38 | 15.6\% | 45 | -2.8\% |
| Senior Officer |  | 1 | 0.0\% | 1 | 1 | 2 | 33.3\% | 3 | 33.3\% |
| J unior Officer | 9 | 39 | 18.8\% | 48 | 6 | 36 | 14.3\% | 42 | -4.5\% |
| Enlisted | 5 | 23 | 17.9\% | 28 | 6 | 18 | 25.0\% | 24 | 7.1\% |
| Senior OR | 5 | 12 | 29.4\% | 17 | 4 | 11 | 26.7\% | 15 | -2.7\% |
| J unior OR |  | 11 | 0.0\% | 11 | 2 | 7 | 22.2\% | 9 | 22.2\% |
| Active Reserve | 917 | 3613 | 20.2\% | 4530 | 978 | 3813 | 20.4\% | 4791 | 0.2\% |
| Officers | 368 | 1552 | 19.2\% | 1920 | 401 | 1620 | 19.8\% | 2021 | 0.6\% |
| Senior Officer | 22 | 196 | 10.1\% | 218 | 23 | 214 | 9.7\% | 237 | -0.4\% |
| J unior Officer | 346 | 1356 | 20.3\% | 1702 | 378 | 1406 | 21.2\% | 1784 | 0.9\% |
| Enlisted | 549 | 2061 | 21.0\% | 2610 | 577 | 2193 | 20.8\% | 2770 | -0.2\% |
| Senior OR | 172 | 899 | 16.1\% | 1071 | 178 | 931 | 16.1\% | 1109 | 0.0\% |
| J unior OR | 377 | 1162 | 24.5\% | 1539 | 399 | 1262 | 24.0\% | 1661 | -0.5\% |
| ADF Total | 12516 | 67058 | 15.7\% | 79574 | 12970 | 66566 | 16.3\% | 79536 | 0.6\% |

