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

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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.

| | 01/02/2016 | | | | 01/02/2017 | | | | |
|-----------------------|------------|-------|----------|-------|------------|-------|----------|-------|--------|
| Headcount | | | | | | | | | % |
| | Female | Male | % Female | Total | Female | Male | % Female | Total | Change |
| 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior OR | 378 | 915 | 29.2% | 1293 | 229 | 395 | 36.7% | 624 | 7.5% |

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| Headcount | | | | | | | | | % |
| | Female | Male | % Female | Total | Female | Male | % Female | Total | Change |
| 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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 | Change |
| 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |
| Junior 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% |