



Senator Tim Ayres
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Senate Finance and Public Administration References Committee
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Dear Senator Ayres

Thank you for inviting the Department of the House of Representatives to contribute to the inquiry into the current capability of the Australian Public Service conducted by the Senate Finance and Public Administration References Committee.

I provide the following responses to the committee's questions in relation to the department:

1) The staffing profile for the department as at 1 July 2021, broken down into:

a) APS ongoing employees: headcount and Average Staffing Level (ASL)

Headcount 127, ASL 124.16 (this is the average for the financial year 2020/2021)

b) APS non-ongoing employees: headcount and ASL

Headcount 51 (including non-ongoing and casuals), ASL 33.59 (this is the average for the financial year 2020/2021)

c) Labour hire staff; headcount and Full-Time Equivalent (FTE)

Nil

d) Other contractors; headcount and FTE

Nil

2) The percentage of staff engaged through labour hire arrangements as a percentage of total agency headcount:

Zero percent

3) The total value of labour hire contracts entered into between 1 January and 30 June 2021:

Nil

I trust the committee finds this information useful.

Yours sincerely

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CLERK OF THE HOUSE

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