

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO**  
**2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** Cross Outcome - Across Programs

**Question No:** 195

**Topic:** SSAT

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**Senator Siewert** asked:

How many Social Security Appeals Tribunal members are there both full-time and part-time?  
Please provide the number of members both full-time and part-time over the last 5 years?  
How are the number of members - both full-time and part-time - decided?

**Answer:**

The SSAT's Annual Reports for each of the last 5 financial years includes the numbers of full-time and part-time members. These reports can be accessed at <http://www.ssat.gov.au/about-the-ssat/publications>.

The SSAT notifies the portfolio department if, having regard to workload and member availability, more members are needed and seeks permission to advertise.