

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Social Services Portfolio
2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: Cross Outcome - Across Programs

Question No: 758

Topic: Staff Transfers - Hiring

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Senator Ludwig asked:

How many non-ongoing contracts has your department extended since the 2013 federal election?

Answer:

Aged Care Commissioner

The Office of the Aged Care Commissioner has extended 1 non-ongoing contract, that being the contract of the Aged Care Commissioner herself, who is appointed by the Minister.

Aged Care Pricing Commissioner

Since the 2013 federal election no non-ongoing contracts have been extended in the Office of the Aged Care Pricing Commissioner.

Australian Aged Care Quality Agency

One.

Australian Institute of Family Studies

Nil Input.

National Disability Insurance Agency

Since the 2013 federal election, the National Disability Insurance Agency has extended 19 non-ongoing contracts.

Social Security Appeals Tribunal

Nil Input.

Department of Social Services

At the time of the federal election, the Department of Social Services employed 207 staff on non-ongoing contracts. This reduced to 36 by 4 June 2014.

Data is not readily available and to answer the question fully would require a significant diversion of departmental resources.