

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**Outcome Number:** Cross Outcome - Across Programs

**Question No:** 22

**Topic:** SSAT

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**Senator Peris** asked:

Can you provide a break down by state and territory, and language of the number of applicants who utilise the Australian Government interpreting and translating service.

**Answer:**

A breakdown by state and territory, and language of the number of applicants (for review of decisions made by officers of the Department of Human Services employed in Centrelink) for whom the SSAT organised Australian Government interpreting and translating services in 2012-2013 is attached.

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Interpreters in Centrelink (including PPL) reviews 2012-13

Language	Adelaide	Brisbane	Canberra	Darwin	Melbourne & Hobart	Perth	Sydney	Total
AFGHANI	2	1			1			4
ALBANIAN					1			1
AMHARIC							1	1
ARABIC	3	4	1		14	3	141	166
ARABIC (Lebanese)					7		34	41
ARABIC (Sudanese)					1			1
ARMENIAN							3	3
ASSYRIAN					2		25	27
AUSLAN							3	3
BENGALI					1		4	5
BOSNIAN		1			2		5	8
BURMESE					1		1	2
CANTONESE		2		1	5		13	21
CROATIAN					4	2	4	10
DARI	3				2		7	12
DINKA	1				1		1	3
FILIPINO					1			1
GREEK	3	1			5		12	21
HAKKA					1			1
HINDI					2		2	4
INDONESIAN							1	1
ITALIAN					4		8	12
KHMER					2		1	3
KIRUNDI		1						1
KOREAN		1			1		4	6
KURDISH							1	1
LAO							3	3
MACEDONIAN			1		12	1	14	28
MALTESE	1				1			2
MANDARIN	2	1			5		43	51
MAORI		1						1
NEPALESE							2	2
PERSIAN (Farsi)	3				6	1	23	33
POLISH	4				7	4	5	20
PORTUGUESE							3	3
ROMANIAN					1			1
RUSSIAN					2		2	4
SAMOAN		1					3	4
SERBIAN	1				4	3	17	25
SLOVENE					1			1
SOMALI	1						2	3
SPANISH	2	2			5		11	20
SWAHILI	2					2		4
TAGALOG	2	2					1	5
TAMIL					2			2
THAI							1	1
TIGRIGNA					1			1
TURKISH		1			13		25	39
URDU					1			1
VIETNAMESE	3	1			11	2	24	41
Other	3				2		3	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>662</b>