Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 23-24 OCTOBER 2014 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Human Services

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Question:

CHAIR: You said there is a higher concentration of Indigenous staff in certain areas—I do not think you have those details here. Perhaps you could give us that on notice. Is there a big split between the central office in Canberra and the regional offices in terms of the proportion of Indigenous staff?

Answer:

As at 31 October 2014, the Australian Capital Territory, South Australia, and Victoria have similar proportions of Indigenous staff under 2 per cent. The other states have higher proportions from 3.6 per cent to 6.8 per cent. The highest proportion of Indigenous staff are located in the Northern Territory at 31.6 per cent. The table below provides a breakdown.

State	Percentage of self-identified Indigenous staff
NT	31.6%
QLD	6.8%
WA	5.0%
TAS	3.7%
NSW	3.6%
ACT	2.0%
SA	1.7%
VIC	1.4%