

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Topic: Shortwave – Broadcast Australia job cuts**

**Senator McCarthy, Malarndirri asked:**

**Senator McCARTHY:** Ms Guthrie, how many jobs have been lost as a result of the cuts to the shortwave service?

**Ms Guthrie:** I will have to take that on notice. But this was a service provision from a third party, so no jobs were affected—

**Senator McCARTHY:** In the ABC. Ms Guthrie: Not in the—

**Mr Pendleton:** Not in the ABC.

**Senator McCARTHY:** What about in Broadcast Australia?

**Mr Pendleton:** I am not aware.

**Answer:**

No ABC jobs were lost as a result of the decision.

BAI Communications (Broadcast Australia) is an independent commercial entity. It would be inappropriate for the ABC to comment on their business operations and questions about their staffing would be best put directly to them.