

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Agency: ARC

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000415

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing.

ARC: Staffing reductions

Question

Since the change of Prime Minister on 14 September, 2015:

1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred?
 - (a) What was the reason for these reductions?
2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
6. How many ongoing staff left the department/agency? What classification were these staff?
7. How many non-ongoing staff left department/agency from? What classification were these staff?
8. What are the voluntary redundancy packages offered? Please detail for each staff level and position
9. How do the packages differ from the default public service package?
10. How is the department/agency funding the packages?

Answer

The Australian Research Council (ARC) has provided the following response.

1. Given the small size of the ARC the provision of this information may lead to the identification of the staff.
 - a. Not applicable
2. No
3. None
4. Not applicable
5. No
6. 6 (APS6 x 3, APS5 x 2 and EL1 x 1)
7. 2 (APS3 x 2)
8. Default Public Service Package
9. Not applicable
10. Departmental Funding