

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

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

Outcome: Agency: ASQA

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000424

Senator Ludwig, Joe provided in writing

ASQA: 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 Skills Quality Authority has provided the following response.

1. No staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred.
2. N/A
3. N/A
4. N/A
5. There are no plans for involuntary redundancies.
6. A total of 11 ongoing staff left the agency. The table below outlines the classification level of these staff.

Classification Level	Total
APS 4	1
APS 5	4
APS 6	3
EL 1	2
Public Office Holder	1
TOTAL	11

7. A total of 13 non-ongoing staff left the agency. The table below outlines the classification level of these staff.

Classification Level	Total
APS 3	4
APS 4	5
APS 6	3
EL 1	1
TOTAL	13

- 8. N/A
- 9. N/A
- 10. N/A