

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000702

Senator McKim, Nick asked on 21 October 2015, Proof Hansard page 120

Chaplains - breakdown of faith

Question

Senator McKIM: Do you have a faith breakdown, as in do you keep records—

Ms Paul: We can—

CHAIR: Not a breakdown of faith!

Senator McKIM: No! That was not a personal question about—

Ms Paul: We have previously. I am not sure if under the new system, where it goes directly to states, that we would.

Senator McKIM: You do not?

Ms Paul: Not for 2015, in other words. We would have had it for 2013-14.

Senator McKIM: Because the program was centrally administered in those days?

Ms Paul: Yes, that is correct.

Senator McKIM: I might ask you for the 2013-14 figures, please, on notice.

Answer

This question was answered in full in Budget Estimates 2014–2015, 4 June 2014. SQ14-000979 provided a comprehensive table and breakdown of the number of chaplains and their faiths for the National School Chaplaincy and Student Welfare Programme (NSCSWP) which ran from 2012–2014.

The table and breakdown is as follows.

Table 1: NSCSWP 2012–2014: Chaplains as at 18 June 2014

Chaplains	Total
Christian	2312
Aboriginal traditional religions	1
Baha'i	1
Buddhist	1
Islam	13
Judaism	8
Chaplains total	2336