

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications**  
**Answers to Senate Estimates Questions on Notice**  
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**Communications Portfolio**  
**Australian Broadcasting Corporation**

**Question No: 119**

**Program No. ABC**

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**Topic: Lateline**

**Senator Xenophon asked:**

What percentage of *Lateline* stories are from each state or territory on average, if you have statistics, over the last—

**Mr Scott:** I do not have those with me, but I can take that on notice.

**Answer:**

The ABC does not have an ongoing record on the percentage of *Lateline* stories generated by each state or territory.

For the purposes of this question, the ABC has examined a three-month period of programs as a sample.

Below are the location origins of the stories that appeared on 70 *Lateline* programs aired between 2 September and 5 December 2013:

- New South Wales – 85 stories
- ACT – 74 stories
- Victoria – 37 stories
- Northern Territory – 4 stories
- South Australia – 2 stories
- Western Australia – 7 stories
- Tasmania – 1 story.