

**Senate Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

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**Question:** **aet 125 (ASIC)**

**Topic:** **Westpoint Staffing Allocation**

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**Senator SHERRY asked:**

In terms of resource allocation, are you able to indicate the approximate staffing allocation you have on this matter at the moment?

**Mr Cooper**—I could not go into the numbers, but I can say that Westpoint has caused us to take over new premises. We took over one of Westpoint's premises in central Perth where many thousands of documents are located and a good number of our staff. The precise numbers I do not think I could give you at this stage. We could take that on notice.

**Answer:**

ASIC currently has 23 fully dedicated staff on the Westpoint investigation who are located in the Commission's new central Perth premises.

There are a further 24 staff who are working on Westpoint-related investigations located in the ASIC offices across Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth.