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How many permanent staff have been recruited since the supplementary budget estimates?

What level are these staff?

How many temporary positions exist or have been created since budget estimates?

Since supplementary budget estimates, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Have staffing numbers been reduced as a result of the efficiency dividend and/or other budget cuts? If so, where and at what level?

Are there any plans for staff reduction? If so, please advise details ie. reduction target, how this will be achieved, services/programs to be cut etc.

What changes are underway or planned for graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs? If reductions are envisaged please explain including reasons, target numbers etc.

ANSWER

Five permanent staff have been recruited since the supplementary budget estimates.

Three Executive Level 1 and two APS6 employees.

Five non ongoing positions have been filled. Three are new positions and two are backfilling existing staff on leave.

Twenty-two non-ongoing employees were employed over the period 22 October 2009 to 31 January 2010. The average length of contract worked is 7.3 months.

No.

No.

The ARC does not currently have graduate recruitment, cadetships or similar programs.