

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Research & International

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Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

Strategy and Economic branch

1. What are the roles and responsibilities of the Strategy and Economic Branch in the Department of Education?
2. How many FTE positions are allocated to the Strategy and Economic Branch in the Department of Education?
3. Please break these down into actual headcounts, and provide the number of staff on non-ongoing employment arrangements.
4. What programs is the Strategy and Economic Branch in the Department of Education responsible for?

Answer

1. The Strategy and Economic Branch provides strategic, evidence-based policy advice and policy coordination on a range of issues relating to Higher Education, International Education, Indigenous issues, social policy issues and the economic frameworks that support them.
2. As at 26 February 2014 there were 7 FTE allocated to the Branch.
3. The headcount is 7 staff. There are no non-ongoing employees in the Branch.
4. The Branch is not responsible for delivering any specific programmes.