EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: CSIRO Output Group: CSIRO

DEST Question No. E739_06

Senator Webber provided in writing.

Question:

Is it the case that 73% of the staff number increase has been in support services, and only 27% in science?

Answer:

CSIRO has provided the following response.

Staff Numbers

There has been a slight reduction in the number of scientific staff and a slight increase in the number of all other staff in the year from 30 June 04 to 30 June 05. Both these changes are negligible, the reduction in scientific staff being only 0.55% of total staff and the increase in all other staff being only 0.58% of total staff. Overall staff numbers remained virtually static.

This data is contained in tables included in the response to E744_06. It should be noted that scientific staff include the following functional areas: Research Scientists, Research Projects, Research Consulting and Research Management.