

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
2ND NOVEMBER 2006**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

AUSTRALIAN FAIR PAY COMMISSION SECRETARIAT

Outcome 1: Set federal minimum and classification wages to promote the economic prosperity of the people of Australia

Question Number: W510-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Fair Pay Commission - Cost of AFPC (a) What was the establishment cost of the AFPC? (b) How much has it cost to run since its establishment? (c) How many staff currently work for the AFPC? (d) Please detail the number of staff, their position title and grade. (e) What is the total staffing costs for the AFPC? (f) How many of the AFPC's staff are employed on AWAs and how many on other industrial instruments?

Answer:

(a) The AFPC Secretariat received appropriation of \$3.264m during 2005-06 to establish and run the AFPC and the AFPC Secretariat for that financial year. The AFPC does not receive any funding in its own right.

(b) The AFPC Secretariat's actual expenditure for 2005-06 was \$1.364m. As at 31 October 2006, the AFPC Secretariat's YTD expenditure for the 2006-07 financial year was \$2.212m.

(c) As at 31 October 2006, 25 staff were employed by the AFPC Secretariat.

(d) As at 31 October, the Australian Fair Pay Commission Secretariat staff details were:

Branch	Broadband 1	Broadband 2	Broadband 3	SES Band 1	PEO	Total
Executive	1	1			1	3
Corporate	1	2	3			6
Communications	1	1	2			4
Research and Analysis	1	4	6	1		12
Total	4	8	11	1	1	25

(e) The AFPC Secretariat anticipates average staffing numbers to remain around 25 for the 2006/07 financial year.

(f) All of the AFPC Secretariat employees are employed on AWAs with the exception of the Director. The Director of the AFPC Secretariat is a Principal Executive Office.