

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
2006-07 Additional Budget Estimates Hearings  
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio  
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**QUESTION: PM1**

**Senator Brown asked:**

“Is there any imbalance between the states and territories? Is there a shortage of people being nominated from Western Australia or the Northern Territory? Do you know that ratio stacks up?”

**Response:**

The following table provides the number of nominations received from each State and Territory since Australia Day 2006. The honours system provides for anyone in the community to be able to make a nomination and it is therefore expected that there would be more nominations from larger states.

STATE	AD06*	QB06*	AD07*
NSW	419	397	355
VIC	222	253	238
QLD	159	165	153
WA	87	77	72
SA	101	94	112
TAS	40	65	23
NT	12	13	13
ACT	46	30	43
<b>TOTAL</b>	1086	1076	1009

(\* excludes federal and external territory nominations.)