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Question: (Senators Macdonald/Birmingham)

Senator IAN MACDONALD—Could you give us a break-up, state and territory, for those assessments? Could you also take on notice the number of assessors per state and territory that have been approved, the number of loans out of the 1,008 and the split-up between the states and territories, please.

Mr Thompson—I can give you the first two now. In terms of numbers of assessors, for the ACT it is 84; for New South Wales, 1,327; for NT, two; for Queensland, 722; South Australia, 274; Tasmania, 66; Victoria, 936; and Western Australia, 237. The number of completed assessments, again by state in that order: ACT, 6,482; New South Wales, 55,987; NT, 213; Queensland, 24,112; South Australia, 11,985; Tasmania, 1,787; Victoria, 32,572; and Western Australia, 8,884, which add up to the total of 142,022.

Senator Birmingham—Since you have usefully provided that data on the state breakdown, we might as well get them for the number of loans as well if you have that.

Mr Thompson—I do not have that at hand, so I will take that on notice.

Answer:

As at 28 February 2010, a total of 210,864 assessments had been completed. The following table shows the number of assessors contracted with the Department by state and territory:

State	Number of Assessors
ACT	89
NSW	1,483
NT	2
QLD	775
SA	288
TAS	67
VIC	1,092
WA	257
Total	4,053

The Department is unable to provide an accurate breakdown of loans approved by the financial institutions by state and territory. Some financial institutions operate nationally and this information is not collected on a state and territory basis.