

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

## ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES – 9 FEBRUARY 2010 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Human Services Portfolio

**Topic:** Centrelink People

**Question reference number:** HS 66(a)

**Senator:** FIFIELD

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**Question:**

**Senator FIFIELD** - It is with trepidation I ask this, but how many staff are employed by Centrelink?

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**Mr Pratt** - To be helpful, Senator, are you looking for a headcount or the full-time equivalent figure?

**Senator FIFIELD** - Give us both; let's go crazy.

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**Senator FIFIELD** - Maybe you could take it on notice and give us those numbers for 31 January this year and 2007.

**Answer:**

Centrelink staffing levels (Australian Public Service employees) are as follows:

1. Headcount
  - a. 31 January 2007 - 27,281
  - b. 31 January 2010 - 27,112
  
2. Full time equivalent
  - a. 31 January 2007 - 25,795
  - b. 31 January 2010 - 25,373