

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES 13-14 FEBRUARY 2012**

**FINANCE AND DEREGULATION PORTFOLIO**

**Department/Agency:** Department of Finance and Deregulation

**Outcome/Program:** General

**Topic:** Breakdown of Staffing Numbers

**Senator:** Cormann

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**Question:**

When we last met for estimates you released your annual report just the day before...I have just one question in relation to the Department of Finance and Deregulation's annual report. I see that the number of ongoing, non-ongoing and casual staff increased by another 100 between 30 June 2010 and 30 June 2011. What has been driving that increase in staff in the finance department?

**Answer:**

Staffing in Finance has increased proportionate to the increases in Finance's functions and responsibilities.

49 COMCAR drivers were recruited for the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Perth in October 2011. 45 employees delivered various approved new policy programs during 2010/11. The remaining 6 met increased activity requirements in business as usual activities.