

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Additional Estimates 13 – 16 February 2012

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

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**Question:**

1. How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date?
2. What classification are these staff?
3. How many non ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date?
4. What classification are these staff?
5. This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

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**Answer:**

1. There were 162 permanent (ongoing) staff recruited between 1 July 2011 and 31 January 2012.

2. The level of staff recruited were:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
Secretary	1
SES3	1
SES2	6
SES1	5
EL2	20
EL1	41
APS6	40
APS5	25
APS4	18
APS3	4
APS2	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>162</b>

3. A total of 9 non-ongoing positions (created to fulfil a short-term requirement) existed or were created in the period 1 July 2011 to 31 January 2011.

4. The classifications were:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Total</b>
EL1	4
APS3	2
APS6	1
APS2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

5. There were 61 people employed on contract (non ongoing staff employed in ongoing and non-ongoing roles) for the period 1 July 2011 to 31 January 2012, with an average employment period of 85 calendar days.