Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Question:

How many ongoing staff recruited this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?

How many non-ongoing positions exist or have been created this financial year to date? What classification are these staff?

This financial year to date, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

There were 129 permanent staff recruited to fill vacant positions between 1 July 2012 and 28 February 2013.

A breakdown by classification is included below:

| Classification | Total |
|----------------|-------|
| SES2 | 2 |
| SES1 | 6 |
| EL2 | 13 |
| EL1 | 39 |
| APS6 | 17 |
| APS5 | 12 |
| APS4 | 16 |
| Graduate | 24 |
| Total | 129 |

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There are 62 non-ongoing positions that exist or were created in the period 1 July 2012 to 28 February 2013. A breakdown by classification is included below:

| Classification | Total |
|----------------|-------|
| SES2 | 3 |
| SES1 | 4 |
| EL2 | 13 |
| EL1 | 12 |
| APS6 | 10 |
| APS5 | 9 |
| APS4 | 11 |
| Total | 62 |

There were 32 people employed on contract for the period 1 July 2012 to 28 February 2013, with an average employment period of 111 calendar days.