

# Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

## BUDGET ESTIMATES – 27 May 2010 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Human Services Portfolio

**Topic:** Staffing

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**Senator:** FIFIELD

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#### **Question:**

**Mr Dunn** - The total headcount of Centrelink staff up until 31 March this year was 27,012.

**Senator FIFIELD** - And how many SES band staff?

**Mr Dunn** - In the SES for that same period there were 85 substantive SES positions.

**Senator FIFIELD** - Are you able to provide a comparison for 2007?

**Mr Dunn** - I do not have those figures with me, but we can do that.

**Senator FIFIELD** - Yes, if you could, thank you.

#### **Answer:**

A comparison of the number of Centrelink employees between 2007 and 2010 can be seen in table below.

<b>Headcount</b>	<b>31 March 2010</b>	<b>30 June 2007<sup>2</sup></b>
Non-Senior Executive Service	26,926	27,199
Senior Executive Service <sup>1</sup>	86	89
<b>Total</b>	<b>27,012</b>	<b>27,288</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes CEO Centrelink

<sup>2</sup> Source: Centrelink Annual Report 2006-07