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How many permanent staff recruited since additional estimates (Feb 2010)?

What level are these staff?

How many temporary positions exist or have been created since additional estimates?

Since additional estimates, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?

Answer:

1. There were 24 permanent staff recruited to fill vacant positions between 12 February and 15 June 2010.
2. The level of staff recruited were:

Actual Classification	Total
SES Band 3	1
SES Band 2	4
SES Band 1	3
Executive Level 2	3
Executive Level 1	2
APS Level 6	4
APS Level 5	4
APS Level 4	2
Graduates	1

3. A total of 26 temporary positions existed at last Budget Estimates, with 13 new temporary positions being created to 15 June 2010. The total number of temporary positions as at 15 June 2010 is 39. Of the new temporary positions created since last Budget Estimates, 5 have been created in Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting Taskforce (CHOGM) and 8 with the Information Commissioner's Designate Taskforce.
4. There have been 8 people employed on contract since 12 February 2010, with an average employment period of 129 calendar days.