

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet**

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**Question: PM80**

**Topic: Staffing levels**

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- a) What is the total expenditure on staffing for the Department and for all portfolio agencies? What is the SES and non-SES breakdown?
- b) What are the current staffing levels for SES and non-SES officers?
- c) What have been the changes in staffing level since November 2007?
- d) Have any voluntary or involuntary redundancies been offered to staff? If so, how have staff been identified for such offers? Are there such plans for the future?
- e) What was the total cost of staffing for the Department in the financial years 2007-08 and 2008-09?
- f) What are the estimated total costs of staffing for the Department in the financial years 2009-10 and 2010-11?

**Answer:**

- a) Responses to questions a) – e) were provided in Senate Question on Notice PM72a-g (Additional Estimates 8-11 February 2010).
- f) Estimated total costs of staffing for the Department and portfolio agencies in 2010-11 are available in the Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio Budget Statements 2010-11. Actual employee costs for 2009-10 will be reported in this year's Annual Report.