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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:

1. During the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013, 164 ongoing staff were recruited. Their classifications were:

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| Classification | Number of ongoing staff recruited |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| SES B3 | 1 |
| SES B2 | 3 |
| SES B1 | 11 |
| EL2 | 21 |
| EL1 | 51 |
| APS6 | 19 |
| APS5 | 14 |
| APS4 | 17 |
| APS3 | 1 |
| APS2 | 2 |
| Graduate | 24 |
| Total | 164 |

2. A total of 33 temporary positions existed or were created in the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013.

The classification level of staff recruited were:

| Classification | Temporary positions |
|----------------|---------------------|
| EL2 | 1 |
| EL1 | 22 |
| APS6 | 1 |
| APS4 | 1 |
| APS2 | 8 |
| Total | 33 |

3. There were 66 people employed on contract for the period 1 July 2012 to 31 May 2013 with an average employment period of 78 calendar days.