

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2013

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission

Outcome/Program: Cross Portfolio

Topic: Staff reductions/voluntary redundancies

Senator: Ryan

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Question:

1. How many staff reductions/voluntary redundancies have occurred this financial year to date? What was the reason for these reductions?
2. Were any of these reductions involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.
3. Are there any plans for further staff reductions/voluntary redundancies? If so, please advise details including if there is a reduction target, how this will be achieved, and if any services/programs will be cut.
4. If there are plans for staff reductions, please give the reason why these are happening.
5. Are there any plans for involuntary redundancies? If yes, provide details.

Answer:

1. There have been 18 voluntary redundancies approved in financial year 2012/13. The reductions have occurred to ensure the Commission is able to start the new financial year in line with its budget position.
2. There were no involuntary redundancies.
3. There are currently no plans for further staffing reductions or redundancies.
4. Not applicable.
5. There are no plans for involuntary redundancies.