

Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
[SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2010-2011]

[Portfolio of the Prime Minister and Cabinet]

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Topic: Staffing Levels

Senator: Abetz

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- a) Are there expected changes to current staffing levels over the next 12 months? If yes, provide details including a breakdown of each level staff (each SES band, each Executive Level band and each APS band) detailing the changes. Will this be different to what was reported in the 2010-11 Budget?
- b) Has there been a target for staff reductions to achieve savings? What is that target and what strategy is being implemented to achieve this? Will staff reductions be used to achieve the Government's election commitment to maintain the 1.25 per cent efficiency dividend?
- c) 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?

Answer:

- a) There are no expected changes to current staffing levels over the next 12 months. It is not anticipated that there will be any variation to the staffing in the 2010-11 Budget.
- b) There has been no specific target for staff reductions to achieve savings. AIFS will implement the efficiency dividend by the reallocation of resources and by continuous review of internal processes to ensure the most cost effective approach is adopted to achieve efficiency gains.
- c) There have been no voluntary or involuntary redundancies offered. AIFS does not anticipate any future redundancies.