

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES 2011-2012**

Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio

**Department/Agency: Australian Public Service Commission**

**Outcome/Program: Cross Portfolio**

**Topic: Staffing-FYTD**

**Senator: Ryan**

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**Question:**

- 1. How many permanent staff recruited this FYTD?**
- 2. What classification are these staff?**
- 3. How many temporary positions exist or have been created this FYTD?**
- 4. This FYTD, how many employees have been employed on contract and what is the average length of their employment period?**

**Answer:**

1. 14
2. SES B1 = 1  
EL 2 = 4  
EL 1 = 7  
APS 6 = 2
3. The usual basis of employment for people in the Australian Public Service Commission (APSC) is as an ongoing employee. The APSC does retain flexibility with its workforce by employing non-ongoing employees, in the main to meet demands in our fee for service activities as well as deliver on short term projects. FYTD, 19 employees have been engaged on a non-ongoing basis.
4. FYTD, 19 employees have been engaged on a non-ongoing basis. The average length of their employment period is 6.1 months.