

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Prime Minister and Cabinet Portfolio**

**Department of Regional Australia, Regional Development and Local Government**

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**Question: 127**

**Topic: Decrease in Staff Numbers**

**Asked By: Senator JOYCE**

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Have any divisions seen a decrease in staff?

What was the reason for decreasing staff in these divisions?

**Answer:**

As at 30 September 2011 there had been no decrease in the Department's staffing numbers in the financial year to date.