

**Department/Agency:** Department of the Senate

**Topic:** Staffing

**Senator:** Senator Ryan

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**Type of question:** Written

### Question

1. **How many ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?**

### Answer

Eighteen ongoing staff commenced with the department in 2011-12. The classifications of those employees are listed below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Number of employees</b>
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 1	1
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 3	4
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 4	6
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 6	3
Parliamentary Executive Level 1	3
Parliamentary Executive Level 2	1

2. **How many non ongoing staff were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff?**

### Answer

Eighteen non-ongoing staff commenced with the department in 2011-12. The classifications of those employees are listed below:

<b>Classification</b>	<b>Number of employees</b>
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 1	2
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 3	5
Australian Parliamentary Service Level 6	7
Parliamentary Executive Level 1	4

**3. How many contract staff left were recruited in the year 2011-12? What classification were these staff? What is the average length of their employment period?**

**Answer**

The department employs either ongoing or non-ongoing employees. All non-ongoing employees are employed on contracts. Sixteen non-ongoing staff commenced with the department in 2011-12 on fixed term contracts. The average length of their employment was 8 months. Two non-ongoing employees commenced on irregular or intermittent contracts.