

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CRIME COMMISSION

Question No. 108

Senator Barnett asked the following question at the hearing on 23 February 2009:

How many full time investigators does the ACC have currently? How many were there 18 months ago?

The answer to the senator's question is as follows:

The ACC has 51 full time supervising investigators as at 29 February 2009 (15 ACC Investigators and 36 seconded and Task Force member Investigators). The ACC had 96 full time supervising investigators as at 30 June 2007 (21 ACC Investigators and 75 seconded and Task Force member Investigators). Generally, seconded staff fall under the direction of the ACC. Task Force members contribute to the work of the ACC (eg through joint operations) but remain predominantly under the direction of their home force.

The ACC has a broad and diverse staffing model to deliver the outcomes required of the organisation by the ACC Board and the wider community.

It is potentially misleading to look at role and function of specialist investigators in isolation. Specialist investigators manage multi-disciplinary teams consisting of surveillance, covert human source and telephone interception staff, in addition to other operational and support staff.

For further information regarding secondees arrangements, refer to response to Question on Notice No 109.