

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 FEBRUARY 2011

IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO

(16) Program 1.1: Visa and Migration

Senator Cash asked:

How many staff have been employed in the MARA in the last 5 financial years?
Please provide a breakdown by section?

Answer:

The tables below contain details of the number of staff employed broken down by section as at 30 June for each of the previous five financial years.

Information for the 2009- 2010 financial year is from the Office of the MARA Annual Report.

Information prior to 1 July 2009 has been sourced from the Annual Reports of the Migration Agent Registration Authority (the Authority), which was operated by the Migration Institute of Australia. The names of sections and their respective functions may have changed over time and it is not possible to make direct comparisons with the current organisational structure.

Numbers include part time staff. Where there was a vacancy the actual number of staff is shown in brackets. IT contractors are included in the figures as at 30 June 2010 and earlier for consistency.

As at 30 June 2010

Section	No of Staff Employed
Professional Standards & Integrity	10 (9)
Registration & Client Services	11
Professional Development	4
Strategy & Business	9 (8)
Executive	2
IT Contractors	2
Total	38 (36)

As at 30 June 2009

Section	No of Staff Employed
Professional Conduct	5 (4)
Registration	6
Professional Development	2
Finance	2
Administration	9
Communications & Policy	3 (2)
Executive	3
IT Contractors	3
Total	33 (31)
The Annual Report for 2008-09 indicates 25 staff (p 38). The facing photograph (p 39) shows 26 (one IT contractor). Five are not shown (Admin x 1, Finance x 1, the Executive Assistant and two IT Contractors). There were also two vacancies at the time – shown here for consistency across years.	

As at 30 June 2008

Section	No of Staff Employed
Professional Conduct	5 (4)
Registration	4
Professional Development	3
Finance	2
Administration	7
Communications & Policy	3 (2)
Executive	2
IT Contractors	3
Total	29 (27)
The Annual Report for 2007-08 does not include three IT contract staff.	

As at 30 June 2007

Section	No of Staff Employed
Professional Standards & Public Access	7
Registration	4 (3)
Professional Development	2
Finance	2
Administration	8
Communications	2
Executive	2
IT Contractors	3
Total	30 (29)
The Annual Report for 2006-07 does not include three IT contract staff.	

As at 30 June 2006

Section	No of Staff Employed
Professional Standards & Public Access	9
Registration	4
Professional Development	2
Finance	2
Administration	10
Communications	1
Executive	1
IT Contractors	3
Total	32