

SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL AFFAIRS
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SERVICE

Question No. 6

Senator Humphries asked the following question at the hearing on 12 February 2013:

Senator HUMPHRIES: Could I ask you, perhaps on notice, to tell me how many Customs staff are currently deployed at each of Australia's international airports.

Mr Pezzullo: We will come back to you.

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

For the period ending January 2013, the number of full time equivalent Customs and Border Protection officers deployed at each of Australia's international airports was:

Airport	FTE
Sydney	494.4
Melbourne	301.9
Brisbane	221.0
Perth	152.5
Gold Coast	48.0
Adelaide	47.5
Darwin	45.7
Cairns	44.3

These numbers do not include Customs Flexible Employees (CFEs) who can be called upon as required to provide additional resources as determined by operational requirements. CFEs are engaged in each of the airports where a decision is made that supplementary staff are required to address an identified resource shortfall during peak periods or as a result of unexpected staff absences.