

SENATE LEGAL AND CONSTITUTIONAL LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS SERVICE

Question No. 82

Senator Ludwig asked the following question at the hearing on 25 May 2006:

In relation to Customs staffing and the pre- and post-budget initiatives at Australia's far and remote north, can details of staffing levels be provided for these locations?

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

FTE¹ by Location as at 30 June 2006

Location	Pre Budget	Post Budget
Nhulunbuy (Customs House)	2	
Darwin (Darwin Airport)	32.76	
Darwin (Customs House)	112.41	
Northern Territory	147.17	160.67
Broome (Customs House)	13	
Christmas Island	2	
Carnarvon	2.59	
Dampier (Customs House)	19.65	
Port Hedland	9	
Geraldton	5	
Western Australia	51.24	77.24
Cairns (Airport Admin)	66.81	
Coconut Island (Torres Strait)	0.68	
Darnley Island (Torres Strait)	0.68	
Mabuiag Island (Torres Strait)	0.68	
Saibai Island (Torres Strait)	0.68	
Thursday Island	12.93	
Cairns	81.03	
Weipa	2	
Queensland	165.49	178.49
Total	363.9	416.4

The final placement of the post budget staffing increase has yet to be finalised in all locations.

1. ¹ All staff paid through payroll calculated by employees regular hours as at the end of the pay period divided by the standard hours (73.5) minus leave without pay greater than 3 months.