

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, STAFF AND SALARIES

1023. Hon. C.L. Edwardes to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure

I refer to the answer to question on notice No. 244 concerning staffing and salary issues, and to the State Labor Government's election promise on openness and accountability and ask -

- (a) how does the Minister reconcile the answer given when six Ministers have responded in detail;
- (b) will the Minister now answer Question 244; and
- (c) if not, why not?

Ms MacTIERNAN replied:

a) The limits to the extent to which the State's Resources should be allocated to respond to questions is a discretionary matter which may be decided differently depending upon the range of agencies concerned.

b) The response is as follows:

Albany Port Authority

- a) 5
- b) 5
- c) Nil
- d) \$375,000
- e) N/A

Broome Port Authority

- a) 16.4
- b) 16
- c) 1
- d) a) \$1,050,000 b) \$1,025,000 c) \$25,000
- e) 16.4

Bunbury Port Authority

- a) 13
- b) 13
- c) 1
- d) \$794,000
- e) as above

Dampier Port Authority

- a) 10
- b) 10
- c) none
- d) \$682,324
- e) 11

Department of Land Administration

- a) 727
- b) 703
- c) 59
- d) a) \$35,188,163 b) \$33,409,005 c) \$1,561,808
- e) 712

Department for Planning & Infrastructure:

Response for Department of Transport

- a) 962
- b) 889
- c) 121
- d) Separate allocation for each of these areas are not maintained. Total budget- \$36,171,065.
- e) 904

Response for Ministry for Planning:

- a) 272

- b) 274
- c) 36
- d) Separate allocations not maintained. Total budget- \$12,266,508
- e) 250

East Perth Redevelopment Authority

- a) 14
- b) 14
- c) 0
- d) \$995,859
- e) 14

Esperance Port Authority

- a) N/A
- b) 42
- c) Nil
- d) The Esperance Port Authority's salaries and wages budget is in large part determined by the activities at the Port. That is, when trade through the Port increases, the wages and salaries will increase due to extra overtime or the need for extra employees. The budget therefore is flexible to reflect the service nature of the organisation.
- e) refer to (d).

Fremantle Port Authority

- a) 165.25
- b) 161
- c) 8
- d) a) \$9,587,502 b) \$9,460,674 c) \$126,828
- e) 165.25

Geraldton Port Authority

- a) 32
- b) 32
- c) Nil
- d) \$1,975,146
- e) 32

LandCorp

- a) employed 65 FTE
- b) 62 people were full-time
- c) 5 people were part-time (3 FTEs)
- d) the annual salaries budget for 2000/2001 was \$4,193,000
- e) based on average salaries, the budget allows for 66.3 is an additional 1.3 FTE

Main Roads Western Australia

- a) 835 full time and part time staff
- b) 816 full time staff
- c) 19 part time staff
- d) The estimated wages and salaries budget for 2000/2001 exclusive of workers compensation and superannuation for:
 - a) All FTEs \$52,740,746
 - b) Full time staff \$51,540,657
 - c) Part time staff \$1,200,089
- e) Main Roads has employed between 835 and 868 FTEs

Midland Redevelopment Authority

- a) Nil
- b) 6
- c) Nil
- d) a) N/A b) \$439,072 c) N/A

e) 6

Office of the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure (Planning Appeals)

The information relevant to this Office is included in the response prepared by the Department for Planning and Infrastructure.

Port Hedland Port Authority

- a) 16 & the CEO
- b) 16 & the CEO
- c) Nil
- d) \$1,269,000
- e) Not applicable

Subiaco Redevelopment Authority

- a) see (b)
- b) 1 full time employee (CEO) and 2 full time secondees
- c) Nil
- d) \$215,000
- e) 1

Western Australian Government Railways Commission

- a) 516
- b) 492
- c) 33
- d) An annualised estimate of wages and salaries of staff employed as at 9 February 2001 is \$25.9 million.
- e) 516
- c) I remain of the view that the information required to answer the remainder of Question 244 is not readily available and the provision of this information would require considerable research which would divert staff away from their normal duties and I am not prepared to allocate the State's resources to provide a response.