

**Question on Notice
No. 1340
Asked on Wednesday, 1 November 2006**

Mr MCARDLE asked the Attorney-General and Minister for Justice and Minister assisting the Premier in Western Queensland (Mr Shine) -

QUESTION:

For 2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2004-05, 2005-06, and 2006-07 (year-to-date) (reported separately) will she/he detail (a) the number of full-time and part-time staff employed by the Department of Justice and Attorney-General in public affairs/communication/media liaison/graphic design and public relations positions and (b) the total amount of wages/salaries paid to the Department of Justice and Attorney-General staff in public affairs/communication/media liaison/graphic design and public relations positions?

ANSWER:

My department facilitates, coordinates and manages a diverse range of communication activities that are designed to promote and communicate the Government's key priorities and initiatives and encourage broad community participation. This includes preparing departmental publications such as annual reports and community consultation papers, and public information material on matters such as court diversionary programs, dispute resolution and justices of the peace.

The number of Full Time Equivalents (FTEs) employed to perform these functions and the total amount of wages/salaries paid for the years 2001-02 to the present are as follows:

	FTEs#	Cost
2001-02	5	\$239,800
2002-03	4.5	\$336,200
2003-04	7.5	\$397,700
2004-05	7	\$391,500
2005-06	10	\$500,182
2006-07	7	\$232,000*

* 2006-07 actuals as at the end September 2006.

Full Time Equivalent statistics listed are the number of employees paid, based on the MOHRI 30 June quarterly data of each financial year, and the 30 September quarter for 2006-07.