

QUESTION ON NOTICE
No. 823
Asked on Tuesday, 5 June 2007

MR HORAN asked the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (MR MULHERIN)-

QUESTION:

With reference to his answer to Question on Notice No. 648 asked on 19 April 2007 and in particular to the \$5,030,567 allocated for the Transformational Technologies Research Program including Plant and Microbial Biotechnology, Genetics and Functional Genomics, Vaccine Delivery Systems and Applied Biotechnology (Plants and Animals)—

- (1) Will he list the names of each program and the budget allocation for each of these programs (reported separately)?
- (2) Will he list the organisations or departments that have received funding under each of the programs listed?
- (3) How many people are employed in each of the programs mentioned under each of the range of research and development activities (reported separately) and what are their job titles and classifications?

ANSWER:

- (1) Program and budget allocations for 2006-07 are as follows: Plant and Animal Biotechnology (\$1,219,000), Vaccine Delivery Systems (\$1,241,000), Genetics and Functional Genomics (\$202,000), Agricultural Modelling (\$502,000) and Business and Governance (\$1,212,000).

It should be noted the budget has been impacted by the transfer of funds from the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries to address machinery of government changes (forming of the QLD Climate Change Centre of Excellence).

- (2) The bulk of the funding is expended within the program. A small percentage may be used to leverage external funding e.g. Australian Research Council (ARC), Smart State, and CRCs.
- (3) Several Officers work across two or more programs and therefore apportionment under title and level is notional. A summary based on FTEs is: Plant and Animal Biotechnology (Professional – 5.85)(Technical – 6.48)(Operational – 0.42) (SO level 0.65), Vaccine Delivery Systems (Professional – 6.09)(Technical – 3.00), Genetics and Functional Genomics (Professional – 0.70)(Technical – 1.48), Agricultural Modelling (Professional – 1.5)(Technical – 1.5) and Business and Governance (Administrative – 0.69).