

Question on Notice
No. 3
Asked on 13 February 2013

MR HOPPER asked the Premier (MR NEWMAN)—

With reference to the 14,000 public servants who have lost their jobs, will the Premier outline the total cost of redundancies?

ANSWER:

I refer the Member to Table 5.2 of *State Budget 2012-13 Budget Paper No.2 Budget Strategy and Outlook*.

The total reduction in full-time equivalent positions attributable to the fiscal repair measures contained in the budget is expected to be around 14,000. The difference is attributable to discontinuing temporary positions and not filling vacant positions.

The 2012-13 Budget included an allowance for the cost of redundancies of \$800 million in 2012-13.

The Member may also wish to note that the 2011-12 Budget of the previous Government included an allowance of around \$300 million for the cost of redundancies as part of their voluntary separation program.

The Queensland Government has made some tough decisions and it is now time to get on with the hard work and get Queensland back on track.