

Estimates Committee 2009 Questions Taken On Notice

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Subject: Children in care - case management - staffing levels

From: Ms Marion Scrymgour to Hon Malarndirri McCarthy
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Question: **7-6**
Given the complexity of the case management of those children in the care of the minister, what are the staffing levels across those agencies to deal with the complexity of those cases of children in care? If you do not have that information, can I be provided with that information, please?

Answer:
Answered On:
Answer: The following table sets out the number of positions in each of NT Families and Children's offices for roles that undertake case management work with children. These numbers are as at 30 June 2009, and includes professional staff, Aboriginal community workers and youth workers in both the Child Protection Services and Out of Home Care programs that work directly with children as a component of their role.

Positions	
Darwin (including Palmerston)	54
Central Australia, including Tennant Creek	45
Katherine	13
Remote Services	11
East Arnhem (Nhulunbuy)	6
Mobile Child Protection Team	9
Child Abuse Taskforce - North	5
Child Abuse Taskforce - South	3

The figures above do not include:

- Managers;
- Interstate Liaison Officers;
- Court Officers;
- Family Support Workers;
- Intake workers;
- the Aboriginal Community Resource Workers within the CAT team;
- Remote Aboriginal Family Community Workers;
- Adoptions staff; or
- staff on extended leave.