Government of **Western Australia**

**Public Sector Commission**

**Western Australian Public Sector Workforce Report (March 2009)**

In 2007/08, the Department of the Premier and Cabinet (DPC) introduced a new information system to improve workforce reporting on the Western Australian public sector. The Public Sector Commission was created in November 2008 and is continuing this process.

This report provides information on:

1. full time equivalent (FTE) employees in WA public sector agencies; and
2. the number of employees (Head count) that are employed in WA public sector agencies. Workforce information is reported by public sector agencies each quarter.

To ensure that FTE across agencies is calculated using a standard approach, some methodological changes from previous years were necessary. These changes resulted in a ‘break-in-series’ of quarterly workforce reports between June 2007 and June 2008. As a result of these changes, workforce data from June 2008 onwards may not be directly comparable to previous workforce reports.

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| **Agency** | **Paid**  **FTE1** | **Paid**  **Head count2** |
| **Department of Education and Training** | 32840 | 48801 |
| **Department of Health** | 31096 | 39861 |
| **Police (Western Australia Police) and Police Force** | 7353 | 8277 |
| **Department of Corrective Services** | 3578 | 4307 |
| **Electricity Networks Corporation (Western Power)** | 2733 | 2765 |
| **Water Corporation** | 2600 | 2831 |
| **Department of Environment and Conservation** | 2012 | 2325 |
| **Department for Planning and Infrastructure** | 1890 | 2052 |
| **Department for Child Protection** | 1792 | 2087 |
| **Disability Services Commission** | 1634 | 1899 |
| **Department of Agriculture and Food** | 1475 | 1628 |
| **Department of the Attorney General3** | 1439 | 1933 |
| **Department of Housing and Works** | 1402 | 1469 |
| **Public Transport Authority** | 1288 | 1362 |
| **Fire and Emergency Services Authority of Western Australia** | 1274 | 1314 |
| **Department of Treasury and Finance** | 1267 | 1371 |
| **Swan TAFE** | 1059 | 1425 |
| **Commissioner of Main Roads** | 1023 | 1088 |
| **Department of Commerce** | 947 | 1051 |
| **Western Australian Land Information Authority (Landgate)** | 909 | 990 |
| **Central TAFE** | 907 | 1265 |
| **Department for Mines and Petroleum** | 704 | 751 |
| **Challenger TAFE** | 693 | 944 |

1. Paid FTE is a snapshot of employees who were paid as at the pay day prior to 31 March 2009 of data submitted from 127 agencies. FTEs have been rounded to whole numbers. This methodology may differ from those used by other public sector agencies.
2. Paid head count is a snapshot as at the pay day prior to 31 March 2009 and includes all permanent, fixed term and casual

employees paid during that pay period.

1. The Department of the Attorney General FTE and headcount exclude Judiciary, Board Members, Tribunal members and

personal staff to the Judiciary as they are not employed by DotAG. This change was effective from the September 2008 quarter. Data from the Office of the Public Advocate and the Public Trust Office is included in the Department of the Attorney General.

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| **Agency** | **Paid**  **FTE** | **Paid**  **Head count** |
| **Department of Culture and the Arts** | 662 | 830 |
| **Department of Water** | 595 | 656 |
| **Electricity Generation Corporation (Verve Energy)** | 580 | 593 |
| **Department of Fisheries** | 426 | 471 |
| **Department of the Premier and Cabinet** | 426 | 507 |
| **Racing and Wagering Western Australia** | 343 | 463 |
| **Electricity Retail Corporation (Synergy)** | 338 | 365 |
| **Regional Power Corporation (Horizon Power)** | 330 | 333 |
| **Insurance Commission of Western Australia** | 320 | 351 |
| **Fremantle Port Authority** | 310 | 321 |
| **Forest Products Commission** | 298 | 342 |
| **Legal Aid Commission of Western Australia** | 274 | 307 |
| **South West Regional College of TAFE** | 251 | 358 |
| **West Coast TAFE** | 250 | 343 |
| **Department for Communities** | 248 | 299 |
| **Gold Corporation** | 235 | 251 |
| **Government Employees Superannuation Board (GESB)** | 226 | 266 |
| **Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions** | 220 | 273 |
| **Western Australian Sports Centre Trust** | 216 | 545 |
| **Central West TAFE** | 206 | 274 |
| **Pilbara TAFE** | 200 | 243 |
| **Electorate Offices** | 193 | 321 |
| **Lotteries Commission (Lotterywest)** | 191 | 201 |
| **Great Southern TAFE** | 185 | 275 |
| **Western Australian Land Authority (LandCorp)** | 181 | 186 |
| **Department of Sport and Recreation** | 170 | 228 |
| **Western Australian Tourism Commission** | 167 | 178 |
| **Corruption and Crime Commission** | 163 | 167 |
| **Department of State Development** | 160 | 168 |
| **Zoological Parks Authority** | 160 | 211 |
| **Curriculum Council** | 145 | 168 |
| **C Y O'Connor College of TAFE** | 143 | 180 |
| **Department of Indigenous Affairs** | 132 | 157 |
| **Botanic Gardens and Parks Authority** | 131 | 149 |
| **Kimberley TAFE** | 129 | 150 |
| **Department of Local Government and Regional Development** | 127 | 130 |
| **WorkCover Western Australia Authority** | 124 | 139 |
| **Metropolitan Cemeteries Board** | 119 | 142 |
| **Department of Racing, Gaming and Liquor** | 117 | 124 |
| **Rottnest Island Authority** | 115 | 142 |
| **Country High School Hostels Authority** | 111 | 145 |
| **Esperance Port Authority** | 109 | 110 |
| **Chemistry Centre (WA)** | 106 | 115 |
| **Office of the Auditor General** | 97 | 108 |
| **Public Sector Commission** | 94 | 113 |
| **Western Australian Electoral Commission** | 66 | 113 |
| **Small Business Development Corporation** | 62 | 68 |
| **Office of Energy** | 62 | 65 |
| **Animal Resources Authority** | 62 | 75 |
| **Builders' Registration Board of Western Australia and Painters' Registration Board** | 61 | 70 |
| **Western Australian Treasury Corporation** | 61 | 63 |
| **Geraldton Port Authority** | 56 | 58 |
| **Department of Education Services** | 50 | 58 |

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| **Agency** | **Paid**  **FTE** | **Paid**  **Head count** |
| **East Perth Redevelopment Authority and Subiaco Redevelopment Authority** | 49 | 57 |
| **Swan River Trust** | 49 | 52 |
| **Economic Regulation Authority** | 46 | 48 |
| **Western Australian College of Teaching** | 46 | 49 |
| **Legal Practice Board** | 45 | 56 |
| **Broome Port Authority** | 44 | 62 |
| **Western Australian Greyhound Racing Association** | 43 | 45 |
| **Western Australian Institute of Sport** | 42 | 45 |
| **Department of the Registrar Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission** | 40 | 45 |
| **Parliamentary Commissioner for Administrative Investigations (Ombudsman)** | 38 | 42 |
| **Office of the Public Sector Standards Commissioner** | 36 | 40 |
| **Port Hedland Port Authority** | 36 | 36 |
| **Bunbury Water Board (Aqwest)** | 32 | 33 |
| **Heritage Council of Western Australia** | 31 | 33 |
| **Busselton Water Board** | 31 | 32 |
| **Commissioner for Equal Opportunity** | 30 | 34 |
| **The National Trust of Australia (W.A.)** | 29 | 44 |
| **Nurses and Midwives Board of Western Australia** | 29 | 34 |
| **Independent Market Operator** | 28 | 31 |
| **Dampier Port Authority** | 25 | 26 |
| **South West Development Commission** | 22 | 24 |
| **Albany Port Authority** | 21 | 21 |
| **Bunbury Port Authority** | 19 | 21 |
| **Perth Market Authority** | 18 | 20 |
| **Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation (Healthway)** | 16 | 16 |
| **Office of the Inspector of Custodial Services** | 15 | 17 |
| **Office of Health Review** | 15 | 17 |
| **Wheatbelt Development Commission** | 14 | 19 |
| **Midland Redevelopment Authority** | 13 | 15 |
| **Office of the Commissioner for Children and Young People** | 13 | 15 |
| **State Supply Commission** | 12 | 12 |
| **Pilbara Development Commission** | 12 | 12 |
| **Kimberley Development Commission** | 12 | 13 |
| **Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission** | 12 | 13 |
| **Mid West Development Commission** | 12 | 13 |
| **Western Australian Meat Industry Authority** | 11 | 16 |
| **Building and Construction Industry Training Fund** | 11 | 12 |
| **Peel Development Commission** | 11 | 12 |
| **Great Southern Development Commission** | 11 | 13 |
| **Gascoyne Development Commission** | 11 | 11 |
| **Keep Australia Beautiful Council (W.A.)** | 10 | 14 |
| **Office of the Information Commissioner** | 9 | 9 |
| **Pharmaceutical Council of Western Australia** | 8 | 10 |
| **Potato Marketing Corporation of Western Australia** | 8 | 9 |
| **Hairdressers Registration Board of Western Australia** | 7 | 7 |
| **Burswood Park Board** | 5 | 5 |
| **Law Reform Commission of Western Australia** | 4 | 8 |
| **Veterinary Surgeons' Board** | 3 | 5 |
| **Architects Board of Western Australia** | 2 | 3 |
| **Salaries and Allowances Tribunal** | 2 | 2 |
| **Minerals and Energy Research Institute of Western Australia** | 2 | 4 |
| **Total** | **113,806** | **145,996** |