

Right to Information Decision

Right to Information No.: RTI201516-110

Applicant: Ms Rosalie Woodruff
Tasmanian Greens

Date of Application: 5 May 2016

Information Requested

- 1 The number of FTE locums employed by DHHS/THS (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.
- 2 The cost of locums employed by DHHS/THS (broken down by region if possible) for each year from 2013 to present. This should include, if possible, all associated on-costs.
- 3 The maximum FTE establishment of Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.
- 4 The level of employed FTE Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.
- 5 The cost of Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region if possible) for each year from 2013 to present. This should include, if possible, all associated on-costs.

Application Fee

The prescribed application fee was waived in accordance with Section 16(2)(b) (the applicant is a Member of Parliament acting in connection with his or her official duty) of the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

Decision and Statement of Reasons

- 1 **The number of FTE locums employed by DHHS (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.**

This question is not possible to answer. Locums are contracted and provide invoices as required and are not necessarily employed for 1.0 FTE or 0.5 FTE etc.

- 2 **The cost of locums employed by DHHS (broken down by region if possible) for each year from 2013 to present. This should include, if possible, all associated on-costs.**

	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	31-Mar-15	31-Mar-16
South	231,290	426,949	516,402	299,525	1,328,616
North	668,243	863,640	797,719	665,774	3,012,650
North West	11,355,569	13,695,548	13,430,917	10,062,112	12,216,939
Total	12,255,102	14,986,137	14,745,038	11,027,411	16,558,205

3 The maximum FTE establishment of Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.

The Department does not record information in a way that allows this questions to be answered. This has been confirmed through the Shared Services and Budget and Finance areas.

4 The level of employed FTE Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region) for each year from 2013 to present.

Group	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 YTD Pay Period Ending 21-May-16
North West	131.44	103.15	102.27
North	219.26	214.37	225.50
South	453.58	448.08	472.23
Grand Total	804.28	765.6	799.99

5 The cost of Salaried Medical Practitioners (broken down by region if possible) for each year from 2013 to present. This should include, if possible, all associated on-costs.

Group	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16 YTD Pay Period Ending 21-May-16
North West	\$ 31 241 902	\$ 28 190 867	\$ 20 908 699
North	\$ 45 793 263	\$ 48 376 135	\$ 47 064 300
South	\$ 94 959 231	\$ 100 167 757	\$ 99 505 557
Grand Total	\$ 171 994 397	\$ 176 734 760	\$ 167 478 557

*Includes Employer Superannuation on costs.

Decision Made by

This decision was made by Marcy Stanton, Professional Officer, a delegated Right to Information officer of the Tasmanian Health Service, appointed by an instrument of delegation in accordance with section 24 of the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

Under section 43 of the Act you have the right to apply for a review of the decision. To seek a review, you must apply in writing to the CEO, Tasmanian Health Service, GPO Box 125, HOBART TAS 7001, within 20 working days of receiving this notice.