

Legal Services Expenditure Report 2024-25		
	Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman	
	43 884 188 232	
	NCCE	
Summary Totals		
	Total Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 24,015,822
	Total Internal Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 18,347,438
	Total External Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 5,668,384
	Total number of government lawyers	93
	Total number of briefs to counsel	79
	Total value of briefs to Counsel	\$ 1,627,829
	Total value of disbursements (excluding counsel)	\$ 389,126
	Total number of domestic providers (excluding AGS)	10
	Total value of professional fees	\$ 3,651,429
	Total value of professional fees using the Panel flexibility mechanisms	\$ -
Expenditure Comparison		
	Total Legal Services Expenditure (2024-25)	\$ 24,015,822
	Total Legal Services Expenditure (2023-24)	\$ 22,587,016
	Total expenditure change	\$ 1,428,806
	Internal expenditure change	\$ 2,524,742
	External expenditure change	-\$ 1,095,936
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	Entity name	Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman
	Entity ABN	43 884 188 232
	Entity Type	NCCE
Totals		
	Total legal services expenditure	\$ 24,015,822
	Total internal legal services expenditure	\$ 18,347,438
	Total external legal services expenditure	\$ 5,668,384
Section 1	Internal Legal Services Expenditure	
	Total value of internal legal services expenditure	\$ 18,347,438
Section 2a	Number of Government Lawyers	
	APS Levels 1-6 (Junior Legal Officer / Lawyer <2 years PAE / Lawyers >2 years PAE)	46
	Executive Level 1 (Senior Legal Officer / Assistant Director / Associate)	30
	Executive Level 2 (Principal Legal Officer / Director / Senior Associate / Special Counsel)	13
	SES Bands 1-3 (General Counsel / Chief Counsel / Partner)	4
Section 2b	Government Lawyers Primary Workplace	
	ACT	0
	NSW (capital city)	28
	NSW (other)	0
	NT (capital city)	0
	NT (other)	0
	QLD (capital city)	17
	QLD (other)	0
	SA (capital city)	11
	SA (other)	0
	TAS (capital city)	0
	TAS (other)	0
	VIC (capital city)	36
	VIC (other)	1
	WA (capital city)	0
	WA (other)	0
	Australia (other - external territories etc)	0
	Overseas	0

Section 3Counsel Briefs		
	Total number of briefs to counsel	79
	Total value of briefs to counsel	\$1,627,829
Section 3a	Junior Counsel (direct briefs)	
	Total number of direct briefs to male junior counsel	17
	Total value of direct briefs to male junior counsel	\$109,746
	Total number of direct briefs to female junior counsel	20
	Total value of direct briefs to female junior counsel	\$250,309
	Total number of direct briefs to gender X junior counsel	0
	Total value of direct briefs to gender X junior counsel	\$-
	Junior Counsel (indirect briefs)	
	Total number of indirect briefs to male junior counsel	2
	Total value of indirect briefs to male junior counsel	\$23,118
	Total number of indirect briefs to female junior counsel	1
	Total value of indirect briefs to female junior counsel	\$120,877
	Total number of indirect briefs to gender X junior counsel	0
	Total value of indirect briefs to gender X junior counsel	\$-
	Total number of briefs to junior counsel	40
	Total value of briefs to junior counsel	\$504,050
Section 3b	Senior Counsel (direct briefs)	
	Total number of direct briefs to male senior counsel	23
	Total value of direct briefs to male senior counsel	\$303,030
	Total number of direct briefs to female senior counsel	12
	Total value of direct briefs to female senior counsel	\$246,046
	Total number of direct briefs to gender X senior counsel	0
	Total value of direct briefs to gender X senior counsel	\$-
	Senior Counsel (indirect briefs)	
	Total number of indirect briefs to male senior counsel	3
	Total value of indirect briefs to male senior counsel	\$432,982
	Total number of indirect briefs to female senior counsel	1
	Total value of indirect briefs to female senior counsel	\$141,721
	Total number of indirect briefs to gender X senior counsel	0
	Total value of indirect briefs to gender X senior counsel	\$-
	Total number of briefs to senior counsel	39
	Total value of briefs to senior counsel	\$1,123,779
Section 4	Disbursements	
	Total value of disbursements	\$389,126
Section 5	Legal Services Panels	
	Entity participation in the Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel during 2024-25	Yes
	Invoiced Panel fee for 2024-25 (GST exclusive)	\$43,752
	Total value of professional fees expenditure under the Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel (SON3622041) - Old Panel expired 30 June 2024	\$-
	Total value of professional fees expenditure under the Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel (SON4072331) - New Panel commenced 1 July 2024	\$-
	Total value of professional fees expenditure - 10% off Panel allowance	\$-
	Total value of professional fees expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$-
Section 6	Professional fees	
	Total value of professional fees	\$3,651,429
Section 6a	Other Government Providers	
	Attorney-General's Department (DO NOT INCLUDE PANEL FEE)	\$-
	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	\$-
	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	\$-
Section 6b	Overseas Legal Services Providers	
	Overseas firms (total figure)	\$-

Section 6c Domestic Providers		
	Australian Government Solicitor	\$ 1,372,790
	Ashurst	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 9,307
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	Clayton Utz	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 992,498
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	HWL Ebsworth	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 4,950
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	K&L Gates	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 3,379
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	King and Wood Mallesons	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 52,332
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	McInnes Wilson Lawyers	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 899
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	MinterEllison	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 5,656
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	Moray and Agnew	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 64,273
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	Norton Rose Fulbright	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 1,101,410
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -
	Sparke Helmore	
	Total value of expenditure	\$ 43,935
	Total value of expenditure - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of expenditure - exemption from using the Panel granted by AGD	\$ -