

Reference: 20180037

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Dear 

Thank you for your Official Information Act request, received on the 5 February 2018, you requested the following:

“The proportion of analyst hires in the last five years with economics qualifications, compared to non-economics qualifications, not including minors in economics.

“The proportion of analyst hires with post-graduate qualifications in economics, including honours, masters or PhD degrees.”

In response to request, the Treasury have taken the last five years to mean the calendar years of 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 & 2017.

The job title of ‘Analyst’ the Treasury has taken to mean both ‘Analyst’ and ‘Graduate Analyst’.

The collection and recording of qualifications data may not have been a consistent process over this period of time and we have shown the available information our systems currently hold. For some hires, the qualifications data is classified as ‘not specified’ as it has not been recorded in our system. For transparency we have also included those with post-graduate qualifications that are not economics.

All Analysts and Graduate Analysts are required to have a graduate tertiary qualification as a minimum. Graduate Analysts go through a comprehensive technical and non-technical training programme and Analysts also have access to a wide range of training courses.

Analysts hired from 2013-2017 with an economics qualification compared to non-economics qualifications, not including minors in economics.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Economics Qualification	8	10	4	15	4
Non-Economics Qualification	11	8	16	11	15
Not Specified	2	1	3	4	5
Total Hires	21	19	23	30	24

The proportion of Analysts hired with post-graduate qualifications in economics, including honours, masters or PhD degrees.

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Economics Post-Grad Qualifications	4	5	3	7	2
Non-Economics Post-Grad Qualifications	9	6	9	8	12

This reply addresses the information you requested. You have the right to ask the Ombudsman to investigate and review my decision.

Yours sincerely

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