

Legal Services Expenditure Report 2023-24

Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman

43 884 188 232

Summary Totals

Total Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 22,587,016
Total Internal Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 15,822,696
Total External Legal Services Expenditure	\$ 6,764,320
Total value of briefs to Counsel	\$ 2,574,449
Total value of briefs to Male Counsel	\$ 1,655,719
Total value of briefs to Female Counsel	\$ 918,730
Total value of briefs to gender X Counsel	\$ -
Total value of disbursements (excluding counsel)	\$ 544,449
Total value of professional fees	\$ 3,645,422
Total value of professional fees - 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
Total value of professional fees - Exemption from AGD	\$ -
Total number of briefs to counsel	83

Expenditure Comparison

Total Legal Services Expenditure (2023-24)	\$ 22,587,016
Total Legal Services Expenditure (2022-23)	\$ 27,373,801
Total expenditure change	-\$ 4,786,785
Internal expenditure change	\$ 3,627,335
External expenditure change	-\$ 8,414,120

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Entity name	Office of the Fair Work Ombudsman
ABN	43 884 188 232

Totals

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Section 1 Internal Legal Services Expenditure

Total value of internal legal services expenditure	\$ 15,822,696
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Section 2 Counsel Briefs

Total number of briefs to counsel	83
Total value of briefs to counsel	\$ 2,574,449

Section 2a Junior Counsel (direct briefs)

Total number of direct briefs to male junior counsel	21
Total value of direct briefs to male junior counsel	\$ 171,895
Total number of direct briefs to female junior counsel	33
Total value of direct briefs to female junior counsel	\$ 287,602
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	0
Total value of indirect briefs to male junior counsel	\$ 166,403
Total number of indirect briefs to female junior counsel	0
Total value of indirect briefs to female junior counsel	\$ 251,728
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	54
	Total value of briefs to junior counsel	\$ 877,628
Section 2b	Senior Counsel (direct briefs)	
	Total number of direct briefs to male senior counsel	14
	Total value of direct briefs to male senior counsel	\$ 411,476
	Total number of direct briefs to female senior counsel	12
	Total value of direct briefs to female senior counsel	\$ 302,223
	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	2
	Total value of indirect briefs to male senior counsel	\$ 905,945
	Total number of indirect briefs to female senior counsel	1
	Total value of indirect briefs to female senior counsel	\$ 77,177
	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	29
	Total value of briefs to senior counsel	\$ 1,696,821
Section 3	Disbursements	
	Total value of disbursements	\$ 544,449
Section 4	Legal Services Panels	
	Does your entity participate in the Whole of Australian Government Legal Services Panel	Yes
	Panel fee for 2023-24	\$ 37,084
	Total value of professional fees expenditure on 10% off-Panel allowance	\$ -
	Total value of professional fees expenditure on exemptions from using the Panel	\$ -
	Total value of professional fees expenditure on Provision of Tax Technical Legal Services Panel for 2023-24	\$ -
	Total value of professional fees expenditure on ACCC/AER Competition and Consumer Panel 2019 for 2023-24	\$ -
Section 5	Professional fees	
	Total value of professional fees	\$ 3,645,422
Section 5a	Other Government Providers	
	Attorney-General's Department (DO NOT INCLUDE PANEL FEE)	\$ -
	Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade	\$ -
	Office of Parliamentary Counsel	\$ -
Section 5b	Overseas Legal Services Providers	
	Overseas firms (total figure)	\$ -
Section 5c	Domestic Providers	
	Australian Government Solicitor	\$ 975,831
	Ashurst	\$ 64,720
	Bartier Perry	\$ 7,936
	Clayton Utz	\$ 1,469,806
	HWL Ebsworth	\$ 126,146
	K&L Gates	\$ 120,579
	King and Wood Mallesons	\$ 17,681
	Lander & Rogers	\$ 56,418
	Maddocks	\$ 90,582
	McInnes Wilson Lawyers	\$ 4,372
	MinterEllison	\$ 85,404
	Moray and Agnew	\$ 40,346
	Norton Rose Fulbright	\$ 571,648
	Sparke Helmore	\$ 13,953