

APS Induction - Fact Sheet

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The Australian Public Service Commission is a central agency within the Australian Public Service with a critical leadership role in contributing to the future capability and sustainability of the APS. The Commission:

- promotes good practice in managing people;
- supports leadership and learning and development in the APS; and
- fosters ethical behaviour and workplaces that value diversity.

The Commission also plays an important evaluation role in working with agencies to ensure that the APS is performing effectively and consistently with the APS Values.

The Commission has about 190 staff providing services to the APS across Australia from offices in:

- Canberra (the national office)
- Brisbane (supporting Queensland)
- Sydney (supporting New South Wales)
- Melbourne (supporting Victoria and Tasmania)
- Adelaide (supporting South Australia and Northern Territory)
- Perth (supporting Western Australia).

The Public Service Commissioner is supported by the staff of the Australian Public Service Commission and also makes available administrative support for the independent Merit Protection Commissioner.

The Merit Protection Commissioner has a key role within the APS in providing independent external review of certain actions affecting individual APS employees.

The mission of the Australian Public Service Commission is:

to promote, review and evaluate a values-based APS and to foster its capability.

