## Food Standards Agency: Information released under the freedom of Information Act

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## Request

- 1. How many employees or contractors, including those contracted by third party agencies, are currently on zero-hours contracts with the department and its agencies, if any?
- 2. How many employees are there with department in total, on any type of contract?
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- 4. Could I have a breakdown of the roles that the department's zero-hour contracts apply to?

## Response

1. How many employees or contractors, including those contracted by third party agencies, are currently on zero-hours contracts with the department and its agencies, if any?

There are currently 30 employees with the FSA on zero- hours contracts. The FSA do not hold the data you have requested in relation to operational contract staff contracted by third party agencies. You may wish to contact Eville and Jones who currently provide operational contract staff to the FSA and can be contacted by email at: <a href="mailto:office@eandj.co.uk">office@eandj.co.uk</a> although you may wish to note that Eville and Jones, as a private company, are not subject to the provisions of the Act.

2. How many employees are there with department in total, on any type of contract?

The FSA currently has 1088 employees.

3. How many employees with the department were on zero-hour contracts in the last five years, if any?

37 FSA employees.

4. Could I have a breakdown of the roles that the department's zero-hour contracts apply to?

There is currently only one role for which zero-hours contracts apply, the Meat Hygiene Inspector role.