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Occupation (if available)			Teacher				

Text of submission

I am married. My husband is a self-funded retiree who is over 60 years of age and we have an adult child studying and living at home who requires our financial support. I work part time to minimise the financial burden and depletion of my husband's superannuation.

As most of my working life has depended on supply teaching and relief contracts I do not have very much in super myself so need to continue to work for some time yet.

I have been working at BSDE on and off for six years and almost continuously in the present position for three years.

I prefer part time work two to three days per week. Permanent part time would be ideal. My present job is very unpredictable as I do not know from year to year whether I will have work. I usually do not get work until mid-February. I will usually start at one day per week and then by third term end up at three days per week. The contract usually finishes two weeks before the Christmas school vacation which means that I have no income for 8 to 10 weeks.

The uncertainty is difficult. We are also expected to fulfil the professional development requirements to maintain accreditation with the College of Teachers. It is difficult to access PD as we have to fill in for teachers who are on PD. We mostly pay for our own PD and upgrading of qualifications and attend in our own time on weekends, holidays and after school hours.

It is not unusual to have to provide my own resources and prepare a work program. I order to complete the work that I am expected to do I am unable to take a proper break. I eat at my desk while I continue my work and work and extra two hours at school. Most frequently I also spend another full day to day an a half at home preparing and marking work.

	I would prefer more certainty and would prefer the job to be permanent part time.
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