

2014-15 public report form submitted by Countplus Limited to the Workplace Gender Equality Agency

Organisation and contact details

Organisation registration	Legal name ABN ANZSIC	Countplus Limited 11126990832 6932 Accounting Services
Organisation details	Trading name/s ASX code (if relevant) Postal address Organisation phone number	CUP GPO Box 1453 SYDNEY NSW 2001 AUSTRALIA 0284884500
Reporting structure	Ultimate parent Number of employees covered in this report submission Other organisations reported on in this report	Countplus Limited 655 Kidmans Partners Pty Ltd Wearne & Co Pty Ltd Kidmans PEC Pty Ltd Cartwright Brown & Company Financial Planning Pty Ltd Change Accountants & Advisors Pty Ltd Countplus FS Holdings Pty Ltd The MBA Partnership Pty Ltd Achieve, Corporation Pty Ltd Robson Partners Pty Ltd Specialised Business Solutions Pty Ltd Evolution Advisers Pty Ltd Countplus One Pty Ltd Crosby Dalwood Pty Ltd Twomeys Pty Ltd Bentleys (WA) Pty Ltd 360 Financial Advantage Pty Ltd Cooper Reeves Pty Ltd Beames & Associates Accounting and Financial Services Pty Ltd Mogg Osborne Pty Ltd

Workplace profile

Manager

Manager occupational categories	Reporting level to CEO	Employment status	No. of employees		
			F	M	Total employees
CEO/Head of Business in Australia	0	Full-time permanent	0	19	19
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	0	1	1
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
Key management personnel	-1	Full-time permanent	7	36	43
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	0	1	1
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
	-2	Full-time permanent	0	1	1
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	0	0	0
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
Other executives/General managers	-1	Full-time permanent	0	5	5
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	2	0	2
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
	-2	Full-time permanent	1	3	4
		Full-time contract	0	2	2
		Part-time permanent	1	1	2
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
Senior Managers	-1	Full-time permanent	6	7	13
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	2	1	3
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
	-2	Full-time permanent	7	3	10
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	4	1	5
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0

Manager occupational categories	Reporting level to CEO	Employment status	No. of employees		
			F	M	Total employees
Other managers	-1	Full-time permanent	3	7	10
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	3	0	3
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
	-2	Full-time permanent	9	10	19
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	2	0	2
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	1	1
	-3	Full-time permanent	0	8	8
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	3	1	4
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
	-4	Full-time permanent	0	1	1
		Full-time contract	0	0	0
		Part-time permanent	1	0	1
		Part-time contract	0	0	0
		Casual	0	0	0
Grand total: all managers			51	109	160

Non-manager

Non-manager occupational categories	Employment status	No. of employees (excluding graduates and apprentices)		No. of graduates (if applicable)		No. of apprentices (if applicable)		Total employees
		F	M	F	M	F	M	
Professionals	Full-time permanent	81	105	7	6	0	0	199
	Full-time contract	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
	Part-time permanent	50	9	3	1	0	0	63
	Part-time contract	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
	Casual	5	2	0	1	0	0	8
Technicians and trade	Full-time permanent	4	4	0	0	0	0	8
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	6	1	0	0	0	0	7
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Community and personal service	Full-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Clerical and administrative	Full-time permanent	108	8	0	3	0	0	119
	Full-time contract	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Part-time permanent	52	2	0	0	0	0	54
	Part-time contract	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
	Casual	10	3	1	1	0	0	15
Sales	Full-time permanent	0	5	0	0	0	0	5
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

Non-manager occupational categories	Employment status	No. of employees (excluding graduates and apprentices)		No. of graduates (if applicable)		No. of apprentices (if applicable)		Total employees
		F	M	F	M	F	M	
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Machinery operators and drivers	Full-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Labourers	Full-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	Full-time permanent	0	1	0	2	0	0	3
	Full-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Part-time permanent	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
	Part-time contract	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Casual	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
Grand total: all non-managers		324	146	11	14	0	0	495

Reporting questionnaire

Gender equality indicator 1: Gender composition of workforce

Note: Additional help can be accessed by hovering your cursor over question text.

1 Do you have formal policies or formal strategies in place that SPECIFICALLY SUPPORT GENDER EQUALITY in relation to:

1.1 Recruitment?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.2 Retention?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.3 Performance management processes?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.4 Promotions?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.5 Talent identification/identification of high potentials?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.6 Succession planning?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.7 Training and development?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.8 Resignations?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

1.9 Key performance indicators for managers relating to gender equality?

- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority

- 1.10 Gender equality overall?
- Yes (you can select policy and/or strategy options)
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
 - No, insufficient human resources staff
 - No, don't have expertise
 - No, not a priority

1.11 You may provide details of other formal policies or formal strategies that specifically support gender equality that may be in place:
As a publicly listed company we have a Corporate Governance Statement that sets certain minimum standards (which also addresses gender equality, gender diversity) that must be maintained and adhered to. This Corporate Governance Statement is available on our website.

1.12 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 1, please do so below:

Gender equality indicator 2: Gender composition of governing bodies

- 2 Does your organisation, or any organisation you are reporting on, have a governing body/board?
- Yes
- No

2.1 Please complete the table below. List the names of organisations on whose governing bodies/boards you are reporting. For each organisation, enter the gender composition (in numbers, not percentages) of that governing body/board; and where in place, include what percentage target has been set relating to the representation of women, and the year the target is to be reached.

IMPORTANT NOTE: where an organisation name has been entered in the table, you must enter the gender composition NUMBERS of that governing body/board. If no target has been set for that particular governing body/board, please enter the number 0 in the '% Target' column and leave the 'Year to be reached' column blank. Otherwise, please enter a number from 0-100 in the '% Target' column and a date in the format of YYYY in the 'Year to be reached' column.

	Organisation name	Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of chairperson/s		Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of other board members		% target for representation of women on each board (enter a percentage number from 0-100)	Year to be reached (in YYYY format; if no target has been set, leave blank)
		F	M	F	M		
1	Countplus Limited	0	1	0	5	30	2019
2							
3							

	Organisation name	Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of chairperson/s		Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of other board members		% target for representation of women on each board	Year to be reached
		F	M	F	M	(enter a percentage number from 0-100)	(in YYYY format; if no target has been set, leave blank)
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	Organisation name	Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of chairperson/s		Gender and NUMBER (NOT percentage) of other board members		% target for representation of women on each board	Year to be reached
		F	M	F	M	(enter a percentage number from 0-100)	(in YYYY format; if no target has been set, leave blank)
28							
29							
30							

2.1a If you have reported a large number of governing body/board members (over 17) for any organisation listed as having a governing body/board in the table in question 2.1, please tick the box confirming this is an accurate NUMBER, and NOT a PERCENTAGE.

Yes, the data provided in question 2.1 reflect numbers not percentages.

2.2 For any governing bodies/boards where a target relating to the representation of women has not been set, you may specify why below:

- Governing body has gender balance (e.g. 40% women/40% men/20% either)
- Currently under development
- Insufficient human resources staff
- Don't have expertise
- Do not have control over board appointments (provide details why):

- Not a priority
- Other (provide details):

2.3 Do you have a formal selection policy or formal selection strategy for governing body/board members for ALL organisations covered in this report?

- Yes
 - Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy

- No
- No, in place for some governing bodies
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, do not have control over board appointments (provide details why):

- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

These companies are mainly small pty companies. Group policies that are in place such as the Diversity Policy, Code of Ethics & Conduct as well as the group's Corporate Governance Statement provides a good mechanism & framework to direct the desired behaviour by the group.

2.4 Partnership structures only: (do NOT answer this question if your organisation is an incorporated entity (i.e. Pty Ltd, Ltd or Inc)). For partnerships, please enter the total number of female and male equity partners (excluding the managing partner) in the following table. Details of your managing partner should be included separately in the CEO row of your

workplace profile. If you have a separate governing body/board of directors, please enter its composition in question 2.1.

	Full-time females	Part-time females	Full-time males	Part-time males
Equity partners who ARE key management personnel (KMPs) (excluding your managing partner)				
Equity partners who are NOT key management personnel (KMPs)				

2.5 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 2, please do so below:

Gender equality indicator 3: Equal remuneration between women and men

3 Do you have a formal policy or strategy on remuneration generally?

- Yes
- Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
 - No, insufficient human resources staff
 - No, included in workplace agreement
 - No, don't have expertise
 - No, salaries set by awards or industrial agreements
 - No, non-award employees paid market rate
 - No, not a priority
 - No, other (provide details):

4 Has a gender remuneration gap analysis been undertaken?

- Yes. When was the most recent gender remuneration gap analysis undertaken?
- Within last 12 months
 - Within last 1-2 years
 - More than 2 years ago but less than 4 years ago
 - Other (provide details):
- No
- No, currently under development
 - No, insufficient human resources staff
 - No, don't have expertise
 - No, salaries for ALL employees (including managers) are set by awards or industrial agreements, AND there is no room for discretion in pay changes (for example because pay increases occur only when there is a change in tenure or qualifications)
 - No, salaries for SOME or ALL employees (including managers) are set by awards or industrial agreements and there IS room for discretion in pay changes (because pay increases can occur with some discretion such as performance assessments)
 - No, non-award employees are paid market rate
 - No, not a priority
 - No, other (provide details):

4.2 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 3, please do so below:

Various policies such as "Diversity Policy", "Code of Ethics and Conduct Policy" and "Whistle Blowers Policy" all play a vital part to guide conduct and actions within our group.

Gender equality indicator 4: Flexible working and support for employees with family and caring responsibilities

5 Do you provide employer funded paid parental leave for PRIMARY CARERS, in addition to any government funded parental leave scheme for primary carers?

- Yes
- No
- No, currently being considered
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, government scheme is sufficient
- No, don't know how to implement
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):
Some of the firms within our group provide employer funded paid parental leave, however the majority don't.

6 Do you provide employer funded paid parental leave for SECONDARY CARERS, in addition to any government funded parental leave scheme for secondary carers?

- Yes, one week or greater
- Yes, less than one week
- No
- No, currently being considered
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, government scheme is sufficient
- No, don't know how to implement
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

7 How many female and male managers, and female and male non-managers, have utilised parental leave (paid and/or unpaid) during the past reporting period?

	Primary carer's leave		Secondary carer's leave	
	Female	Male	Female	Male
Managers	3	0	0	1
Non-managers	14	0	0	0

8 What proportion of your total workforce has access to employer funded paid parental leave?

	Primary carer's leave	Secondary carer's leave
%	9	4

9 Do you have a formal policy or formal strategy on flexible working arrangements?

- Yes
 - Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, included in workplace agreement
- No, don't have expertise

- No, don't offer flexible arrangements
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

10 Do you have a formal policy or formal strategy to support employees with family and caring responsibilities?

- Yes
 - Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, included in workplace agreement
- No, don't have expertise
- No, don't offer flexible arrangements
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

11 Do you have any non-leave based measures to support employees with family and caring responsibilities?

- Yes
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):
Out of the 20 firms in our group, 16 firms do have non-leave based measures, however 6 firms don't.

12 Do you have a formal policy or formal strategy to support employees who are experiencing family or domestic violence?

- Yes
 - Standalone policy
 - Policy is contained within another policy
 - Standalone strategy
 - Strategy is contained within another strategy
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, included in workplace agreement
- No, not aware of the need
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

13 Other than a policy or strategy, do you have any measures to support employees who are experiencing family or domestic violence?

- Yes - please indicate the type of measures in place (more than one option can be selected):
 - Employee assistance program
 - Access to leave
 - Training of human resources (or other) staff
 - Referral to support services
 - Other (provide details):

- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, not aware of the need
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

14 Please tick the checkboxes in the table below to indicate which employment terms, conditions or practices are available to your employees (please note that not ticking a box indicates that a particular employment term, condition or practice is not in place):

	Managers				Non-managers			
	Female		Male		Female		Male	
	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal	Formal	Informal
Flexible hours of work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Compressed working weeks	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Time-in-lieu	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Telecommuting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Part-time work	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Job sharing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Carer's leave	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Purchased leave	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unpaid leave	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

14.1 If there are any other employment terms, conditions or practices that are available to your employees, you may provide details of those below:
As we are reporting on 20 firms in the group, not all terms above are available across all firms in the group.

14.2 Where employment terms, conditions or practices are not available to your employees for any of the categories listed above, you may specify why below:

- Currently under development
- Insufficient human resources staff
- Don't have expertise
- Not a priority
- Other (provide details):

14.3 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 4, please do so below:
As we are reporting on 20 firms in the group, not all terms noted in #14 above are available across all firms in the group.

Gender equality indicator 5: Consultation with employees on issues concerning gender equality in the workplace

15 Have you consulted with employees on issues concerning gender equality in your workplace?

- Yes
 No
 No, not needed (provide details why):

- No, insufficient human resources staff
 No, don't have expertise
 No, not a priority
 No, other (provide details):

15.1 How did you consult with employees on issues concerning gender equality in your workplace (more than one option can be selected)?

- Survey
 Consultative committee or group
 Focus groups
 Exit interviews
 Performance discussions
 Other (provide details):

15.2 What categories of employees did you consult?

- All staff
 Women only
 Men only
 Human resources managers
 Management
 Employee representative group(s)
 Diversity committee or equivalent
 Women and men who have resigned while on parental leave
 Other (provide details):

15.3 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 5, please do so below:

Gender equality indicator 6: Sex-based harassment and discrimination

16 Do you have a formal policy or formal strategy on sex-based harassment and discrimination prevention?

- Yes
 Standalone policy
 Policy is contained within another policy
 Standalone strategy
 Strategy is contained within another strategy
 No
 No, currently under development
 No, insufficient human resources staff
 No, included in workplace agreement
 No, don't have expertise
 No, not a priority
 No, other (provide details):

16.1 Do you include a grievance process in any sex-based harassment and discrimination prevention policy or strategy?

- Yes
- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

17 Does your workplace provide training for all managers on sex-based harassment and discrimination prevention?

Yes - please indicate how often this training is provided ('At induction' AND one of the other options can be selected):

- At induction
- At least annually
- Every one-to-two years
- Every three years or more
- Varies across business units
- Other (provide details):

- No
- No, currently under development
- No, insufficient human resources staff
- No, don't have expertise
- No, not a priority
- No, other (provide details):

17.1 Should you wish to provide additional information on any of your responses under Gender equality indicator 6, please do so below:

Other

18 Should you wish to provide details of any initiatives that you feel are particularly outstanding, or that have resulted in improved gender equality outcomes in your workplace, please enter this information below. (As with all of the questions in this questionnaire, any information you provide here will appear in your public report.)

Notification and access

List of employee organisations	Countplus Limited Kidmans Partners Wearne & Co Kidmans PEC Cartwright Brown & Co Financial Planning Change Accountants Countplus FS Holdings The MBA Partnership Achieve Corporation Robson Partners Specialised Business Solutions Evolution Advisers Countplus One Crosby Dalwood Twomeys Bentleys (WA) 360 Financial Advantage Cooper Reeves Beames & Assoc Mogg Osborne
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CEO sign off confirmation

Name of CEO or equivalent	Phillip Aris
Confirmation CEO has signed the report	Yes
CEO Signature:	Date:
