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Dear Seema Malhotra,

The Department for Education (DfE) has asked me to respond to you directly regarding the following Parliamentary Question:

***To ask the Secretary of State for Education, how many members of staff of the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education are working on (a) apprenticeships, (b) T Levels, (c) Higher Technical Qualifications, (d) Level 3 and below qualifications and (e) occupational maps. 11616***

The majority of IfATE's staff work in cross-disciplinary roles across a variety of apprenticeships and technical qualifications which include T Levels, Higher Technical Qualifications, technical qualifications at level 3 and 2, as well as the occupational standards which underpin these products. The standards are made available through the published IfATE [Occupational maps](#). Staff work in an agile and responsive way and resources are moved accordingly during the fluctuations in the development and approval processes for apprenticeships and technical qualifications.

Of the 332 staff that worked in IfATE as of January 2024, 308 staff (93%) worked either directly on the development of apprenticeships and technical education qualifications or support functions related to this work.

Yours sincerely,



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