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college professors, for example, and others. The AFL-CIO has about 55,000 members, we estimate. The teachers, NECA (sic--NSEA), has approximately 18 to 22 thousand members. And then there are about 23,000 independent members of unions in the state, or about 100,000 people. And the membership, the percentage of membership in these organizations within companies range from a hundred percent of the members down to about 51 percent of the members. We don't have any formal studies to indicate exactly how many and in what companies, but these numbers are pretty close, Senator Crosby, as to (inaudible).

SENATOR SCHMITT: But...but this...what I was wanting is just the state employees, not...not the overall, just the state employees that are represented by the bargaining unit.

SENATOR LYNCH: I'm sorry, Senator, I...

SENATOR SCHMITT: That are members of the bargaining unit, I should say.

SENATOR LYNCH: ...yeah, I wish...I don't have those numbers.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Well, maybe you could get that for me.

SENATOR LYNCH: They would be included in the numbers I just gave you, but I'm not...

SENATOR SCHMITT: But for break...

SENATOR LYNCH: ...if I can get that for you...

SENATOR SCHMITT: Yeah, I would like to have that broke down. And then how many state employees are there total? Do you know that, Senator Lynch,...

SENATOR LYNCH: Oh,...

SENATOR SCHMITT: ...because I don't know?

SENATOR LYNCH: ...when you folks look at the budget, when you look at the budget items this year you'll see about a hundred more whatever we had. So how many do we have?