Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

Department of Employment Question No. EM0012_14

Senator Cameron provided in writing.

Question

FWO - Audits in domestic construction industry

1. Has the FWO conducted any compliance audits in the domestic construction industry? 2. If so, how many audits have been completed, what were the outcomes of those audits, what were the compliance rates established by the audits and what were the main areas of non-compliance? 3. If the FWO has not conducted any compliance audits in the domestic construction industry, does it have any plans to do so?"

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman has conducted 456 audits as part of three targeted campaigns in the domestic construction industry.

The reports for each of these campaigns are available on the Fair Work Ombudsman's website. The outcomes are detailed below:

Campaign	Total audits completed	Compliance rate (% found to be compliant)
WA/SA/NT Residential building industry apprentices and trainees campaign (commenced in 2013)	142	45%
Tasmanian residential building apprentices program (commenced in 2012)	150	40%
Victorian domestic building industry apprenticeship audit program (commenced in 2011)	164	6%