

**Economics Legislation Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
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**DEPARTMENT:** DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

**TOPIC:** Verification process

**REFERENCE:** Question on Notice (Hansard, 11 February 2016, page 129)

**QUESTION No.:** AI-30

Senator KETTER: I am not disputing that. My question, to cut to the chase, is: can you tell me how many verification processes were undertaken in the last 12 months and how many were on-site, in-country?

Mr Seymour : I will take that on notice and come back to you.

**ANSWER**

Since 1 March 2015, the Commission has conducted 49 exporter verifications for dumping/countervailing and anti-circumvention investigations, of these verifications, 22 were conducted on site.

The Commission also uses other means to gain satisfaction as to the reliability of the data, including:

- conducting verification by web or video conference;
- checking export prices match the data contained in the Department of Immigration and Border Protection's import database;
- comparing cost and price data among exporters (including exporters subject of on-site verification exercises); and/or
- comparing cost and price data to other independent sources, such as comparing exporters' purchase prices for raw materials to published data.