

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
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Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000022

Senator Cameron, Doug asked on 01 March 2017, Proof Hansard page 15

ASQA - compliance issues

Question

Senator CAMERON: How do you measure those involved in compliance activity and what they are doing?

Mr Paterson: We have expectations of the number of audits that each auditor will undertake in any given month and they will vary depending on the complexity of the audit and the nature of it. So we have to do some moderation activity. It is an easy question to ask and a very difficult one to answer. All I am saying is that we will examine the question you have put to us, but I do not know that we will be able to provide you with a meaningful answer based on the information. It is a very general question.

Senator CAMERON: No, it is not so general. Your officers are specifically dealing with compliance issues.

Mr Paterson: Yes.

Senator CAMERON: What is the average time they spend per RTO on compliance?

Mr Paterson: Do you mean the RTO that we regulate or per RTO that we examine?

Senator CAMERON: Take it on notice.

Answer

The Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA) has provided the following response -

Please see response to SQ17-000020.