

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING : 22 May 2017**

IMMIGRATION AND BORDER PROTECTION PORTFOLIO

**(BE17/249) - Temporary skilled shortage visa – Concessions - Programme 2.3:  
Visas**

Senator Carr, Kim (L&CA) written:

Provide details of the types on concessions that will be made available under the Temporary Skilled Shortage visa for regional Australia.

*Answer:*

Occupation lists used for the Temporary Skill Shortage (TSS) visa will recognise the needs of regional Australia, with additional occupations available to support regional employers.

Labour agreements can be accessed by regional Australia, and will continue to be available under the TSS visa where there is a demonstrated need that cannot be filled by the Australian labour market and which cannot be met through the standard temporary migration programme.