

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome 5

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Senator Cash asked on 22 October 2009, EEWR Hansard page 128

Question

The number of ballots conducted from July 2009 to date

Are you able to tell me how many ballots occurred in July 2009, August 2009, September 2009 and October 2009?

Answer

Further to the Department's advice provided to the Committee on 22 October 2009 concerning the number of Protected Action Ballots (ballots) invoiced by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) from 1 July 2009 to the hearing date, the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) have subsequently advised the Department that a total of 240 ballots were declared for the period 1 July 2009 to 31 October 2009. The monthly breakdown for declared ballots is as follows:

July 2009	12
August 2009	48
September 2009	77
<u>October 2009</u>	<u>103</u>
Total	240