

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 30 October 2006**

**IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**

**(84) Output 1.1 Migration and Temporary Entry**

Senator Crossin (L&CA written) asked:

How many 457 sponsors were not audited for compliance with the scheme in 2005-2006?

*Answer:*

DIMA is increasingly taking a targeted approach to monitoring. This means that monitoring and site visits are increasingly being targeted at higher risk industries and higher risk employers. Out of around 10 000 sponsors some 6471 were monitored and some 1790 were site visited in 2005-06. Around 240 employers are currently under more intensive investigation. Many of these employers would have been monitored or site visited in previous years.