Senate Standing Committees on Education and Employment

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Senator Lambie provided in writing.

Fair Work Amendment (Paid Family and Domestic Violence Leave) Bill 2022

Question

How many employees in Australia are non-national system employees? If it is not possible to provide a precise number, please provide an estimate in numeric form.

Answer

Australian Bureau of Statistics data shows that 85.9¹ per cent of employees are covered by the national system. Of the 11.4 million employees in Australia as at May 2022, around 9.8 million employees are covered by the national system and 1.6 million are non-national system employees.²

¹ ABS, Employee Earnings and Hours, May 2018

² Estimate using ABS, Employee Earnings and Hours, May 2018 and ABS, Labour Force Detailed, May 2022