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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

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Senator KIM CARR: How many people, do you think? How many automotive manufacturing jobs are there in New South Wales?

Mr Durrant: You would appreciate that there is a difficulty in answering this question. The head office of ATS could be in New South Wales and the production could be in another state.

Senator KIM CARR: I see your point. But it is true to say that there are automotive workers employed in Sydney, Brisbane and Perth. That would be true, would it not? Do you have the state-by-state breakdown of automotive employment figures, as you understand them?

Mr Durrant: I do not have state-by-state—

Senator KIM CARR: I will ask you to take on notice the department's latest thinking on the spread of automotive employment across Australia, direct and indirect.

ANSWER

The Australian Bureau of Statistics Labour Force Survey (catalogue number 6291.0.55.003) shows that Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Part Manufacturing employment averaged 48,180 persons in the four quarters to May 2014. The state and territory breakdown is as follows:

State/Territory	Workers
Australian Capital Territory	43
New South Wales	6,926
Northern Territory	170
Queensland	7,542
South Australia	5,306
Tasmania	353
Victoria	24,420
Western Australia	3,420

The department does not have an estimate of indirect jobs by state.