

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Agency - Fair Work Commission

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Question

FWC - Anti-bullying laws

Senator CAMERON: I have one area I very briefly want to go to-the antibullying laws. How many bullying claims have been lodged since the most recent reforms were enacted?

Ms O'Neill: The jurisdiction came in, as you know, on 1 January this year. In the first six months-so, to 30 June-343 applications were lodged.

Senator CAMERON: Can you break that down by how many each month?

Ms O'Neill: I can but I would have to take that piece on notice.

Answer

The Fair Work Commission received 343 applications for an order to stop bullying between 1 January 2014 and 30 June 2014. The table below provides a breakdown of applications lodged by month:

Month	Number of applications lodged
January	43
February	43
March	65
April	64
May	68
June	60
Total	343