

**Senate Standing Committee on Economics**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Treasury Portfolio**

**Budget Estimates**

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**Question: BET 210**

**Topic: Employment**

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**Senator ABETZ asked:**

1. Has Treasury done any modelling/have an estimate of how many jobs were saved by the (final) decision of the Australian Fair Pay Commission's decision to keep minimum wages at the same level?

If so, what does it say?

2. In relation to the Government's claims that 200,000 jobs were saved by the stimulus spending:

Were these full-time or part-time jobs?

**Answer:**

1. No. Treasury has not undertaken any modelling to estimate the employment impact of the Australian Fair Pay Commission's final decision to hold nominal minimum wages constant.
2. These figures relate to total employment. Treasury macro-economic modelling did not provide a breakdown of this figure into part-time and full-time jobs.