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ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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TOPIC: EMPLOYMENT IN THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY
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QUESTION No.SI-14
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Senator Carr asked about:

Can you confirm the decline in employment and manufacturing in the last five years?

ANSWER

Total employment in the manufacturing sector has fallen by around 18,000 persons (to just under 1.1 million) in the 5 years to August 2006. Over the same period, an additional 1.1 million jobs have been created across the Australian economy.