

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
16 FEBRUARY 2006  
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation**

**Output Group 3.2: Labour Market Strategies**

**Output: Labour 3.2.2: Industry and labour supply strategies**

**Question Number: W678-06**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Does DEWR aggregate skill shortage data at a national level? If so, does DEWR produce a nationally aggregated skill shortage or skills in demand list? If not, why not?

**Answer:**

Yes. The Department of Employment and Workplace Relations undertakes assessments of skill shortages in the Australian labour market, which are aggregated at the national level and posted on the Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs website as the Migration Occupations in Demand List (MODL).