

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2011-2012**

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

DEEWR Question No. EW0908_12

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Refers to previous DEEWR Question No EW0496_12

Question

FWO - Sham Contracting

Of the 379 complaints of sham contracting in 2010-11 financial year, how many were investigated? a. What was the result of each investigation?

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman has provided the following response

The Fair Work Ombudsman did not receive 379 complaints of sham contracting in the 2010-2011 financial year. However, 379 **enquiries** were received by the Fair Work Infoline regarding both independent contractors and/or sham contracting during this period.

The Fair Work Ombudsman investigated 100 matters in 2010-2011 relating to allegations of sham contracting.

Please refer to EW1092_12 for a breakdown of the outcomes of the Fair Work Ombudsman's investigations into sham contracting in the 2010-2011 financial year.