

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2012-2013**

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

DEEWR Question No. EW0768_13

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Number of Fair Work Inspectors

How many Fair Work Inspectors were there as at:

- 1 July 2011
- 1 January 2012
- 1 July 2012
- 1 January 2013

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman has provided the following response:

Date	Number of appointed Fair Work Inspectors
1 July 2011	728
1 January 2012	727
1 July 2012	593
1 January 2013	515

The reduction in numbers of Fair Work Inspectors is due to a number of factors including: the cessation of the contract with the Queensland Department of Justice and Attorney-General; the annulment of appointments of Fair Work Inspectors within Fair Work Building and Construction as a result of that agency becoming a full service regulator; and the Fair Work Ombudsman's voluntary redundancy program.