

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

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
29<sup>TH</sup> AND 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2006  
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**OFFICE OF WORKPLACE SERVICES**

**Question Number:** W233-07

**Question:**

Senator Campbell asked in writing:

How many officers from Workplace Services are involved specifically in compliance with 457 Visas?

**Answer:**

The Department of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs (DIMA) has responsibility for compliance matters relating to 457 visas.

The Office of Workplace Services (OWS) investigates suspected breaches of federal workplace relations laws involving employers and employees, including employees working in Australia pursuant to a subclass 457 visa. The number of OWS workplace inspectors working on subclass 457 cases varies depending on the number of matters being investigated at any one time.