

**EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

**Outcome** 9

**DEEWR Question No. EW 361\_09**

Senator Abetz asked on 17 June 2008, provided in writing.

**Question**

*Wages Policy and Economic Analysis Branch – Staffing and Responsibility*

During Senate Estimates the Department advised that it continues to fund the Wages Policy and Economic Analysis Branch. Can information be provided on how many employees work in the Branch and what their responsibilities are?

**Answer**

The Wages Policy and Economic Analysis Branch, located in the Workplace Relations Policy Group, is responsible for providing policy advice on the development and implementation of minimum wages policy and economic analysis of workplace relations related issues.

As at 17 June 2008, the Branch had nine staff.