

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Agency **Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner**

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Senator Cash asked on 2 June 2009, EEWPR Proof Hansard page 65

Question

What are the 'all industry average' figures you refer to from an ABS publication?

Answer

The Office of the Australian Building and Construction Commissioner has provided the following response.

The 'all industry average' figures referred to are from the ABS publication, *Industrial Disputes Australia* and are shown in table and graph form below.

Working Days Lost per Thousand Employees, Construction and All Industries, March Qtr 2000 - March Qtr 2009 –
Source: Industrial Disputes, Australia, ABS Cat. 6321.0.55.001

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
March										
Construction	109.1	48.5	51.2	86.3	51.2	43.5	5.7	1.5	2.9	6.1
All Industries	19.2	9.1	9.2	8.1	9.7	5.3	3.4	0.8	4.6	1.2
June										
Construction	43.1	98.8	52.9	30.4	48.6	32.8	7.6	1.7	2.0	
All Industries	22.4	16.6	8.0	6.8	18.4	6.1	3.2	0.8	9.2	
Sept										
Construction	45.3	69.2	44.2	56.5	71.1	37.4	1.6	3.1	10.3	
All Industries	11.2	14.3	6.7	20.4	11.3	5.7	2.3	1.2	3.9	
Dec										
Construction	41.5	63.7	76.3	75.4	52.8	40.1	9.1	3.8	4.6	
All Industries	8.2	10.4	8.6	18.4	6.1	9.3	6.0	2.6	3.3	