

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

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

Agency - Fair Work Ombudsman

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Senator Abetz asked on 28 May 2012, Hansard page 67

Question

FWO - Plans for targeted campaigns

Senator ABETZ: is the one where you fall short. So, for the sake of the record, you seem to be meeting four out of the five. Can you please take on notice the targeted campaigns, both national and state, that you have intended for 2012-13, and if you have given forward thought to 2013-14 and 2014-15—as advanced as you can go. Mr Wilson: Do you want that broken down into the regional areas as well, do you? Senator ABETZ: Yes, please, if you could. Mr Wilson: We can do that.

Answer

The Fair Work Ombudsman has provided the following response.

In the Fair Work Ombudsman's annual Portfolio Budget Statements, one of the key performance indicators is that the agency must undertake four national targeted compliance campaigns and two state-based targeted compliance campaigns in each state and territory per financial year.

Proposed national campaigns

The current proposed Targeted Campaign Program 2012-2016 recommends the following national targets.

2012 / 2013

- Accommodation and Food Services (Year 1 of a 3 year program)
- Hair and Beauty Services
- Pharmacies
- To be announced: additional campaigns can be organised in response to emerging issues.

2013 / 2014

- Accommodation and Food Services (Year 2 of a 3 year program)
- Child Care
- Road Freight Transport
- To be announced

2014 / 2015

- Accommodation and Food Services (Year 3 of a 3 year program)

- Misclassification / Sham Contracting Intervention
- Bakery Product Manufacturing
- To be announced

2015 / 2016

- Agriculture (Year 1 of a 3 year program)
- Specialised Food Retailing
- Outworkers
- To be announced

Proposed regional targeted activity

The Fair Work Ombudsman has proposed the following regional targeted activity for 2012/13:

NSW

- Sheep, beef cattle & grain
- Retail, specialised food with ACT
- Racing industry, stable hands (with QLD & VIC)

ACT

- Admin & support – (building cleaning, pest control, gardening, employment, travel)

VIC

- Sex industry
- Travel agencies
- Stable hands (with NSW & QLD)

TAS

- Young, trainees apprentices & visa workers – vulnerable
- Postal & courier services
- Building structure services

QLD

- Pest control, gardening, landscaping
- Sunshine coast/Wide Bay/Burnett
- Courier, car rental, bus drivers
- Central West Qld
- Stable hands (with NSW & VIC)

SA

- Petrol stations
- Building completion services (together with WA/NT)
- Sheep, beef, cattle (together with together with WA/NT)

WA

- Businesses previously on certified agreements
- Businesses previously Award free
- Goldfields /Esperance

NT

- Indigenous workers – Darwin, Alice and Katherine

In addition to the above targeted campaign program, the Fair Work Ombudsman has also committed to working cooperatively with Fair Work Building and Construction in conducting targeted audits on relevant Enterprise Migration Agreement (EMAs) sites.