

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

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

**Agency - Fair Work Australia**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0176\_13**

**Senator Fisher asked on 28 May 2012 , Hansard page 45**

**Question**

**FWA - Tribunal member numbers**

Ms O'Neill: The sentence is that 'the majority of members attended the sitting,' not that the majority of attendees were members of the tribunal. Senator FISHER: Yes. Of the total number tribunal members, how many attended? Let us start with how many there are in total. Ms O'Neill: There have been some appointments since then but, essentially, in the order of 51. Senator FISHER: There were then? Ms O'Neill: Yes. I will take that on notice and will correct it if I have the number slightly wrong. Senator FISHER: Thank you. Of those then 51, how many would have attended? You said the majority; can you give me the number? Ms O'Neill: Not off the top of my head, I would have to check that. Senator FISHER: Thank you.

**Answer**

Fair Work Australia has provided the following response:

On 24 February, 2012 Fair Work Australia had 43 Members (not including dual appointees). All members were invited to attend the ceremonial sitting to farewell Justice Giudice, 34 of whom attended.