

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

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
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EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group: 3.2 Labour market strategies

Output: 3.2.1 Labour market analysis

Question Number: W868-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

How has the definition of employment for statistical purposes changed over the last 15 years? Has the number of hours which a person must work, either paid or unpaid, changed in order to be considered in employment and how many hours does a person currently need to work (either paid or unpaid) each week to be considered in employment?

Answer:

This question should be directed to the Australian Bureau of Statistics.