QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

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IMMIGRATION AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

(80) Output 1.1 Migration and Temporary Entry

Senator Crossin (L&CA written) asked:

Of the 65.2% of employers who were audited for visa compliance, how many were reported for possible breach of visa conditions? How many were in breach of DIMA minimum salary conditions?

Answer:

DIMA's monitoring process requires employers to submit answers to a range of questions, including questions relating to salaries paid. Where issues arise as a result of this or some other process DIMA then conducts site visits. Some 1790 employers were site visited in 2005-2006. If as a result of the site visit, concerns remain, more intensive investigations take place.