

**QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE**

**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING: 21 OCTOBER 2008**

**IMMIGRATION AND CITIZENSHIP PORTFOLIO**

**(25) Output 1.1: Migration and Temporary Entry**

Senator Ellison (L&CA 51) asked: How does DEEWR assess the skills shortages in the local labour market?

*Answer:*

The Department is unable to provide detailed information in relation to what the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) does in relation to skills shortage assessments and suggests this question be referred direct to DEEWR.