

**Senate Standing Committee on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
 Supplementary Budget Estimates October 2008  
**Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government**

**Question No.** AMSA 01

**Division/Agency:** Australian Maritime Safety Authority

**Topic:** Ships Inspected in Regional Ports

**Hansard Page:** 110 (21/10/08)

**Senator Adams asked:**

**Senator ADAMS**—Yes, I have the brief. The response to question on notice No.2 on 29 May indicated that 64 per cent of ships in regional harbours were inspected. Can you break down inspection rates on a port-by port basis as to how many ships rather than percentages, please?

**Mr Peachey**—Yes, we can do that. I do not have the data with us, but we are happy to provide it.

**Answer:**

The table below shows the number of ship inspections in regional ports in 2007.

<b>PORT/ FACILITY</b>	<b>SHIP INSPECTIONS</b>	<b>PORT/ FACILITY</b>	<b>SHIP INSPECTIONS</b>
Abbot Point Qld	15	Mourilyan Qld	11
Albany WA	22	Newcastle NSW	264
Ardrossan SA	1	Onslow WA	1
Bell Bay Tas	31	Floating Production, Storage and Offload Facilities WA and NT	2
Broome WA	4	Point Wilson Vic	1
Bunbury WA	66	Port Alma Qld	9
Burnie Tas	22	Port Giles SA	1
Cairns Qld	24	Port Hedland WA	114
Cape Flattery Qld	1	Port Kembla NSW	98
Christmas Island	4	Port Latta, Tas	2
Dampier WA	241	Port Lincoln SA	2
Devonport Tas	3	Port Pirie SA	2
Esperance WA	22	Port Walcott WA	40
Geelong Vic	58	Portland Vic	18
Geraldton WA	49	Spring Bay Tas	7
Gladstone Qld	237	Thevenard SA	1
Gove NT	19	Townsville Qld	63
Groote Eylandt NT	12	Useless Loop WA	13
Hay Point Qld	322	Wallaroo SA	4
Karumba Qld	1	Weipa Qld	32
Koolan Island WA	1	Westernport Vic	8
Lucinda Qld	2	Whyalla SA	7
Mackay Qld	32	Woollybut (oil facility) WA	1
		<b>TOTAL IN REGIONAL PORTS</b>	<b>1,890 (64%)</b>
		<b>TOTAL SHIP INSPECTIONS</b>	<b>2,963</b>

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**Question No.** AMSA 02

**Division/Agency:** Australian Maritime Safety Authority

**Topic:** AMSA and Coastwatch Aircraft

**Hansard Page:** 111 (21/10/08)

**Senator Williams asked:**

**Senator WILLIAMS**—They have about five aircraft. Perhaps someone else at the front may like to help me out. Meanwhile CoastWatch is under the Customs service and it has 10 Dash 8 aircrafts. Do you think it would be a good idea under a whole-of-government approach to have those two combined under the one banner?

**Senator Conroy**—That is a policy question. I am happy to take that on notice and see how the minister would like to respond.

**Senator WILLIAMS**—Thank you for a detailed answer.

**Answer:**

Whole-of-government efficiencies already are being achieved by the use of AMSA's aircraft by the Australian Customs Service as part of its Civil Maritime Surveillance Program, while recognising that AMSA's search and rescue operations take priority.