



STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMY AND GENDER AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY
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Inquiry into ACT Budget 2021–22
ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE
22 October 2021

Asked by PETER CAIN MLA on 27 OCTOBER 2021: MICK GENTLEMAN MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: COVID Compliance Inspections and Audits

How many inspections were carried out in 2021? Of those how many were union initiated? If so, are you able to tell me that number? How many resulted in no further action?

MICK GENTLEMAN MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows:–

In 2020-2021, the Office of the Work Health and Safety Commissioner (WorkSafe ACT) carried out 2,510 workplace inspections under the *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*.

For reactive workplace inspections, WorkSafe ACT does not collect data on the party which initiated the complaint.

For Right of Entry disputes, during 2020-21 there have been approximately six disputes which WorkSafe ACT inspectors were requested to attend. WorkSafe ACT does not record if attendance was requested by the person conducting a business or undertaking, or the entry permit holder.

WorkSafe ACT will adjust its case management system to add this data field so this information will be available from 2021-22.

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Signature:

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By the Minister for Industrial Relations and Workplace Safety, Mick Gentleman MLA