Information note: Fair Work Commission quarterly reports

This note accompanies reports published on the Fair Work Commission website on a quarterly basis. It provides detailed information about the source of the data contained in the quarterly reports.

Pursuant to section 654 of the *Fair Work Act 2009* (Cth) (the Act), the President of the Fair Work Commission (the Commission) is required to provide information prescribed in the *Fair Work Regulations 2009* (Cth) to the Minister for Employment and to the Fair Work Ombudsman. The prescribed information is set out in Part 1 and Part 2 of Schedule 5.2 to the Regulations. Additional information is provided in the reports in relation to unfair dismissal applications and to anti-bullying applications.

The quarterly reports are compiled primarily from administrative data derived from the Commission's case management system called 'CMS+'.

The reports provide dynamic data at a point in time. Given the nature of the work of the Commission, the data is:

- capable of change as a matter progresses (i.e. where a matter subsequently settles or withdraws at a date later than the relevant quarter or a case is run over successive quarters) or where a settlement was not properly executed and/or complied with;
- subject to issues which arise in the collection of administrative data and;
- subject to changes in administrative practices that may affect time series analysis.

The dynamic nature of the data means that not all data in the quarterly reports will match the data in the Commission's annual reports for the relevant year. The Commission's annual report, which is tabled in the Australian Parliament each year, is the official statistical record of the Commission's activities for the financial year.

The table in this information note sets out: the name of the reporting item as described by the Regulations; the sources of data; how this data is used to report on an item and when the data is collected for reporting on an item.

For a discussion of the uses of administrative data see: ABS (2011) 'Quality Management of Statistical Outputs Produced From Administrative Data', March, Canberra.[1522.0]: <a href="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&prodno=1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011?opendocument&tabname=Summary&products/1522.0&issue=Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/1522.0Main%20Features2Mar%202011&num=&view="http://www.abs.gov.au/ausstats/abs@.nsf/Latestproducts/abs@.nsf/Latestpro

Data definitions

CMS+ is the case management system of the Fair Work Commission. This system uses a series of events and event descriptions as data markers. The events used to compile this report are:

Matter type: Applications are named by the section of the Act that gives rise to the ability to make the application. This is referred to in the table as a matter type description.

Lodgment date: The date the application was received by the Commission.

Listings: The scheduling of proceedings at the Commission. Listings include details such as who will preside over (hear) the matter and how the proceedings will be conducted.

Listing date: The date a proceeding occurred.

Results: Results are broad categories of descriptions of the way matters are managed and resolved. A result description can be the section of the Act that gives rise to the power to make a decision or order, such as granting an application or dismissing an objection. Other results can be the outcome of other functions of the Commission such as a settlement after a conference or conciliation or the withdrawal of an application.

Result date: The day the event occurs, such as the date a settlement is finalised or a decision is issued.

Other events: These events are used in some circumstances and are specifically designed and generated for reporting purposes, such as the 'commenced to deal' event which is used to measure the time from lodgment to the commencement of enquiries for anti-bullying matters.

Additional data is collected and stored in CMS+ or used in combination with CMS+ data. This data is described in the table below as:

Survey form data: Where additional information for a matter is sought, a survey form is generated after an initiating event is entered in CMS+. This digital form is completed by administrative staff with information supplied from Commission forms and from conversations with the parties.

Measures of time: The calculation of days between two prescribed events. These figures, unless otherwise indicated, are aggregated and averaged.

Other data: Information compiled outside of CMS+.

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| Part 1—In | formation and copies of | documents to | o be provided to the | Minister | | |
| 1 | Awards | | | | | |
| 1.1 | The number of awards made in a c | uarter under sectio | n 157 of the Act | | | |
| 1.1(a) | determinations varying modern awards; and | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 1.1(b) | modern awards; and | CMS+ and other data | Results making awards | Result date | | |
| 1.1(c) | determinations revoking modern awards; | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 1.2 | The number of applications made | in a quarter under s | ection 158 of the Act for: | | | |
| 1.2(a) | the making of a determination varying or revoking a modern award under section 157 of the Act; or | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 1.2(b) | the making of a modern award, under section 157 of the Act | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 1.3 | The number of determinations made in a quarter under section 161 of the Act varying modern awards | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 1A | Modern awards | | | | | |
| 1A.1 | The number of determinations varying modern awards made in a quarter under item 5 of Schedule 5 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |

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| 1A.2 | The number of determinations varying modern awards made in a quarter under item 7 of Schedule 5 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 1A.3 | The number of applications for take-home pay orders made in a quarter under item 9 of Schedule 5 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 1A.4 | The number of take-home pay orders made in a quarter under item 9 of Schedule 5 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 1B | Modern enterprise awards | | | | | |
| 18.1 | The number of applications for modern enterprise awards made in a quarter under item 4 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 18.2 | The number of modern enterprise awards made in a quarter under item 4 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results making awards | Result date | | |
| 1B.3 | The number of applications for the FWC to terminate enterprise instruments made in a quarter under item 5 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| 1B.4 | The number of terminations of enterprise instruments made in a quarter under item 5 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 1B.5 | The number of variations of instruments made in a quarter under item 9 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 18.6 | The number of terminations of instruments made in a quarter under item 9 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | other data | NA | NA | If no application to modernise or terminate an enterprise instrument was received by the end of 31 December 2013, the instrument terminated after that date pursuant to Item 9(4) of the FW (TPCA) Act. The number provided for this item is the known enterprise instruments for which there were no application to modernise or terminate the instrument at 31 December 2013. | |
| 1B.7 | The number of applications for take-home pay orders made in a quarter under item 12 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 1B.8 | The number of take-home pay orders made in a quarter under item 12 of Schedule 6 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | CMS+ and other data | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 2 | Enterprise agreements | | | | | |
| 2.1 | The number of applications for the approval of enterprise agreements made in a quarter under section 185 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| Additional data | Applications for approval of a single-enterprise agreement | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| Additional data | Applications for approval of a multi-enterprise agreement | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| Additional data | Applications for approval of a greenfields enterprise agreement | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 2.2 | The number of applications for variations of an enterprise agreement made in a quarter under section 210 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 2.3 | The number of applications for variations of an enterprise agreement made in a quarter under section 217 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 2.4 | The number of enterprise agreements approved in a quarter under section 186 of the Act | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 2.5 | The number of enterprise agreements approved in a quarter under section 189 of the Act | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| Additional data | Enterprise agreements approved under s.190 | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| Additional data | Single-enterprise agreements approved | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| Additional data | Multi-enterprise agreements approved | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| Additional data | Greenfields enterprise agreements approved | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |

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| Additional data | Applications to approve an enterprise agreement rejected | CMS+ | Results not granting the application | Result date | | |
| 2.6 | The number of variations of enterprise agreements approved in a quarter under section 211 of the Act | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 2.7 | The number of variations of enterprise agreements approved in a quarter under section 217 of the Act | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 3 | Bargaining orders | | | | | |
| 3.1 | The number of applications for bargaining orders made in a quarter under section 229 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 3.2 | The number of applications for serious breach declarations made in a quarter under section 234 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 3.3 | The number of applications for majority support determinations made in a quarter under section 236 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 3.4 | The number of applications for scope orders made in a quarter under section 238 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 3.5 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes made in a quarter under section 240 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 3.6 | The number of bargaining orders made in a quarter under section 230 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 3.7 | The number of serious breach declarations made in a quarter under section 235 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing declarations | Result date | | |
| 3.8 | The number of majority support determinations made in a quarter under section 237 of the | CMS+ | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |

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| 3.9 | The number of scope orders made in a quarter under section 238 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 3.10 | The number of decisions to deal with a dispute made in a quarter under section 240 of the Act | CMS+ | Results determining, settling and not settling applications | Result date | This is a count of all matters resulted in the reporting period after intervention from the Commission. This does not include invalid applications or applications that are withdrawn. | |
| 4 | Low-paid bargaining | | | | | |
| 4.1 | The number of applications made for low-paid authorisations in a quarter under section 242 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 4.2 | The number of low-paid authorisations made in a quarter under section 243 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing authorisations | Result date | | |
| 4.3 | The number of low-paid authorisations varied in a quarter under section 244 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing authorisations | Result date | | |
| 5 | Single interest employer authorisations | | | | | |
| 5.1 | The number of applications for single interest employer authorisations made in a quarter under section 248 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 5.2 | The number of applications for variations of single interest employer authorisations to remove the employer's name from the authorisation made in a quarter under section 251 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| 5.3 | The number of applications for variations of single interest employer authorisations to extend the period for which the authorisation is in operation made in a quarter under section 252 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 5.4 | The number of single interest employer authorisations made in a quarter under section 249 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing authorisations | Result date | | |
| 5.5 | The number of single interest employer authorisations varied to remove the employer's name from the authorisation in a quarter under section 251 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing authorisations | Result date | | |
| 5.6 | The number of single interest employer authorisations varied to extend the period for which the authorisation is in operation in a quarter under section 252 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing authorisations | Result date | | |
| 6 | Workplace determinations | | | | | |
| 6.1 | The number of applications for consent low-paid determinations made in a quarter under section 260 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 6.2 | The number of applications made for special low-paid workplace determinations in a quarter under section 260 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 6.3 | The number of consent low-paid determinations made in a quarter under section 261 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 6.4 | The number of special low-paid workplace determinations made in a quarter under section 262 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |

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| 6.5 | The number of industrial action related workplace determinations made in a quarter under section 266 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 6.6 | The number of bargaining related workplace determinations made in a quarter under section 269 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing determinations | Result date | | |
| 7 | Equal remuneration orders | | | | | |
| 7.1 | The number of equal remuneration orders made in a quarter under section 302 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| Additional data | Equal remuneration applications s made under s.302 | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 8 | Transfer of business | | | | | |
| 8.1 | The number of applications for orders relating to instruments covering a new employer and transferring employees made in a quarter under section 318 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 8.2 | The number of applications for orders relating to instruments covering a new employer and non-transferring employees made in a quarter under section 319 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 8.3 | The number of applications for variations of a transferable instrument made in a quarter under section 320 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 8.4 | The number of orders made in a quarter under section 318 of the Act relating to instruments covering a new employer and transferring employees | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | Includes both orders that transferable instrument covers and does not cover transferring employees or employers | |

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| 8.5 | The number of orders made in a quarter under section 319 of the Act relating to instruments covering a new employer and non-transferring employees | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | Includes both orders that transferable instrument covers and does not cover transferring employees or employers | |
| 8.6 | The number of variations of transferable instruments made in a quarter under section 320 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 9 | General protections— compliance | | | | | |
| 9.1 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes made in a quarter under section 365 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 9.2 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes made in a quarter under section 372 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| Additional data | Disputes made under s.365 that have been finalised | CMS+ | Results determining, settling, not settling and withdrawing applications | Result date | | |
| 9.3 | The number of certificates issued in a quarter under section 369 of the Act to the effect that the FWC is satisfied that all reasonable attempts to resolve a dispute have been, or are likely to be, unsuccessful | CMS+ | Results not settling an application and issuing a certificate | Result date | From 1 January 2014 certificates are issued under section 368. This figure includes certificates issued under either section 368 or section 369. | |
| Additional data | Disputes made under s.372 that have been finalised | CMS+ | Results determining, settling, not settling and withdrawing applications | Result date | | |
| 10 | Unfair dismissal | | | | | |
| 10.1 | The number of applications for orders granting a remedy made in a quarter under section 394 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| 10.2 | For applications for an order granting a remedy dealt with in a quarter under section 394 of the Act: | | | | | |
| 10.2(a) | (a) the number of applications in relation to which the dismissal was found to be unfair, including: | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 10.2(a)(i) | (i) the number of orders made in the quarter under section 391 of the Act for a person's reinstatement; and | CMS+ | Results granting an application and ordering reinstatement | Result date | | |
| 10.2(ii) | (ii) the number of orders made in the quarter under section 392 of the Act for the payment of compensation to a person; and | CMS+ | Results granting an application and ordering compensation | Result date | | |
| 10.2(b) | (b) the number of applications that related to a small business employer; and | CMS+ and survey data | Survey data responses | Result date at the time of conciliation | Data reported in the period it is collected based on information provided by the respondent where available. If a conciliation was not conducted, data is not collected | |

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| 10.2(c) | (c) the number of applications dismissed because dismissal was found to be fair; and | CMS+ | Results not granting the application | Result date | Formerly inclusive of applications dismissed without a full consideration of the merits. | Administration processes changed in early 2013. The result used to count this item was previously used to record all applications that were dismissed, including those dismissed without consideration of the merits because an applicant failed to prosecute their case by failing to file submissions or appear at a hearing. Recent changes have seen some of these types of applications categorised differently. These are counted at Item 10.2(ca) and in the unfair dismissal quarterly report. |
| 10.2(ca) | (ca) the number of applications dismissed in a quarter under section 399A of the Act; and | CMS+ | Results dismissing an application under s.399A | Result date | | |
| 10.2(d) | (d) the number of claims dismissed because the dismissal was consistent with the Small Business Fair Dismissal Code; and | CMS+ and survey data | Survey data attached to a result describing a decision about jurisdiction | Result date | | |
| 10.2(e) | (e) the number of claims dismissed because the dismissal was a case of genuine redundancy; and | CMS+ | Survey data attached to a result describing a decision about jurisdiction | Result date | | |

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| 10.2(f) | the number of cases dismissed for want of jurisdiction; and | CMS+ | Jurisdiction results upholding an objection | Result date | Includes matters dismissed for the following reasons: Application up to and including 7 days late and; Application more than 7 days late and; Multiple applications and; Minimum period of employment not served and; No award, agreement or high income employee and; Applicant not dismissed and; Termination consistent with Small Business Fair Dismissal Code and; Genuine redundancy and; Irregular casual employee; and Employer not national system employer and; Frivolous, vexatious and; No reasonable prospect of success. | Business processes changed in June 2014 with regards to applications lodged outside the statutory 21 days. The application to extend time is now dealt with prior to conciliation. This has seen an overall increase in the number of matters dismissed for this reason as previously they may have settled or withdrawn after conciliation. |
| 10.2(g) | the number of cases settled without a decision being made; and | CMS+ | Results settling, not settling and withdrawing applications | Result date | All matters finalised except by substantive decision or for want of jurisdiction. | This is a count of all matters with a result other than by decision or order. It includes matters settled and withdrawn. This is not the figure used in the settlement rate. |
| 10.2(h) | (h) the time from the date of the application to the date of judgement; and | CMS+ | Time between lodgment date and results date. | Lodgment date and result date. Calculations made by administrative staff | Judgment means all matters finalised by substantive decision or for want of jurisdiction, inclusive of applications finalised by dismissal under ss399A and s587. The calculation is based on the average number of days from the date of application to the date of decision. | |

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| 10.2(i) | (i) the number of cases settled by the conduct of 1 or more conferences; and (j) the number of cases settled by hearing | CMS+ | NA | | Data not currently available | Business process changed in 2014. The data used to report on this item has also changed and no longer accurately reflects this item |
| 10.3 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes for which the FWC had allowed a further period for the application to be made that were made in a quarter under section 394 of the Act | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by a jurisdiction result | Result date. | | Business processes changed in June 2014 for the handling of applications lodged outside the statutory 21 days. The application to extend time is now dealt with prior to conciliation. This has seen an overall increase in the number of matters where time has been extended as previously they may have settled or withdrawn after conciliation. |
| 10.4 | The number of orders for costs against a lawyer or a paid agent made in a quarter under section 401 of the Act | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 10.5 | The number of costs orders made against a party to a matter in a quarter under section 400A of the Act | NA | NA | | Data not currently available | New requirement, not yet captured by CMS+ |
| Additional Data | Application dismissed under ss. 399A and 587 | CMS+ | Results dismissing applications under ss399a and s.587 | Result date | Previously reported within items 10.2(c) and 10.2(f) | Applications dismissed without consideration of the merits because an applicant failed to prosecute their case by failing to file submissions or appear at a hearing. Administration processes changed in early 2013. The result used to count this item was previously used to record all applications that were dismissed, including those dismissed after consideration of the merits |

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| 11 | Protected action ballots and indust | Protected action ballots and industrial action | | | | | | | |
| Additional data | Applications for protected ballot orders made under s.437 | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | |
| 11.1 | The number of applications to vary protected ballot orders made in a quarter under section 447 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | |
| 11.2 | The number of applications to revoke protected ballot orders made in a quarter under section 448 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | |
| 11.3 | The number of applications to extend periods in which industrial action is authorised made in a quarter under section 459 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | |
| 11.4 | The number of applications for orders varying the proportion by which an employee's payments are reduced made in a quarter under section 472 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | |
| Additional data | Orders made under s.437 for a protected ballot order | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | | | | |
| 11.5 | The number of orders made in a quarter under section 447 of the Act to vary a protected ballot order | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | | | | |
| 11.7 | The number of extensions made in a quarter under section 459 of the Act to extend a period in which industrial action is authorised | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | | | | |
| 11.8 | The number of orders made in a quarter under section 472 of the Act varying the proportion by which an employee's payments are reduced | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | | | | |
| 12 | Right of entry | | | | | | | | |

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| 12.1 | The number of applications for orders relating to access to non-member records made in a quarter under section 483AA of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 12.2 | The number of applications for orders relating to a dispute about the operation of Part 3-4 of the Act made in a quarter under section 505 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 12.3 | The number of orders relating to access to non-member records made in a quarter under section 483AA of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 12.4 | The number of orders relating to a dispute about the operation of Part 3-4 of the Act made in a quarter under section 505 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | Count of orders issued when the application is granted. Orders issued when dismissing an application are not included in the data. | |
| 12.5 | The number of actions restricting the rights that are exercisable under Part 3-4 of the Act by an organisation, or officials of an organisation taken in a quarter under section 508 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 12.6 | The number of entry permits revoked in a quarter under section 510 of the Act | CMS+ | Results revoking entry permits | Result date | | |
| 12.7 | The number of entry permits suspended in a quarter under section 510 of the Act | CMS+ | Results suspending entry permits | Result date | | |
| 12.8 | The number of applications for entry permits made in a quarter under section 512 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 12.9 | The number of applications for exemption certificates made in a quarter under section 519 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| 12.1 | The number of applications for affected member certificates made in a quarter under section 520 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 12.11 | The number of entry permits issued in a quarter under section 512 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing entry permits | Result date | | |
| 12.12 | The number of exemption certificates issued in a quarter under section 519 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing a certificate | Result date | | |
| 12.13 | The number of affected member certificates issued in a quarter under section 520 of the Act | CMS+ | Results issuing a certificate | Result date | | |
| 13 | Miscellaneous—disputes | | | | | |
| 13.1 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes in relation to a refusal by an employer to a request by an employee for flexible working arrangements made in a quarter under section 739 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13.2 | The number of applications for the FWC to deal with disputes made in a quarter under section 773 of the Act | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13.3 | The number of certificates issued in a quarter under section 777 of the Act to the effect that the FWC is satisfied that all reasonable attempts to resolve a dispute have been, or are likely to be, unsuccessful | CMS+ | Results not settling an application and issuing a certificate | Result date | From 1 January 2014, certificates are issued under s778. This figure includes certificates under either s777 or s778. | |
| 13A | Registered organisations | | | | | |
| 13A.1 | The number of applications for registration made in a quarter under section 18A, 18B or 18C of Schedule 1 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 by: | | | | | |

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| 13A.1(a) | (a) an employer association; or | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.1(b) | (b) an employee association; or | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.1(c) | (c) an enterprise association | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.2 | The number of applications for orders made in a quarter under section 133 of Schedule 1 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.3 | The number of orders made in a quarter under section 133 of Schedule 1 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 13A.4 | The number of applications for representation orders made in a quarter under section 137A of Schedule 1 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.5 | The number of representation orders made in a quarter under section 137A of Schedule 1 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 | CMS+ | Results issuing orders | Result date | | |
| 13A.6(a) | (a) applications for recognition made in a quarter under clause 1 of Schedule 2 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009; and | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 13A.6(b) | b) applications for orders cancelling recognition made in a quarter under clause 3 of that Schedule | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |

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| 13A.7 | b) applications for orders cancelling recognition made in a quarter under clause 3 of that Schedule | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment dates | | |
| 13A.8 | The number of orders cancelling recognition made in a quarter under clause 3 of Schedule 2 to the Fair Work (Registered Organisations) Act 2009 | CMS+ | Results issuing orders made on dates within the quarter | Result date | | |
| 13B | Transitional instruments | | | | | |
| 13B.1 | The number of applications for conditional terminations made in a quarter under item 18 of Schedule 3 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | These items cannot be counted | NA | NA | There is no requirement to apply for a termination under this part. The termination is an outcome of an agreement approved under s185. | |
| 13B.2 | The number of conditional terminations made in a quarter under item 18 of Schedule 3 to the Fair Work (Transitional Provisions and Consequential Amendments) Act 2009 | These items cannot be counted | NA | NA | There is no requirement to order a termination under this part. The termination is an outcome of an agreement approved under s185. | |

Unfair dismissals report

| 1 | Lodgments | | | | | |
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| 1.1 | Number of applications for orders granting a remedy made under s.394[1] | CMS+ (same as 10.1 part 1) | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 2 | Finalised matters | | | | | |
| 2.1 | Applications finalised prior to conciliation | CMS+ | Results withdrawing applications | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | Conciliation refers to conciliations conducted by Commission employees, not Members of the Commission. A count of Applications that have been withdrawn prior to conciliation. Does not include applications | |

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| | | | | | dismissed by the Commission prior to conciliation pursuant to sections 399A or 587. | |
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| 2.2 | Applications settled at conciliation | CMS+ | Results settling an application | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | Conciliation refers to conciliations conducted by Fair Work Commission employees. | |
| 2.3 | Applications not settled at conciliation | CMS+ | Results not settling an application | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | Conciliation refers to conciliations conducted by Fair Work Commission employees. | |
| 2.4 | Applications finalised after conciliation and before a formal proceeding before a Fair Work Australia member | CMS+ | Results settling or withdrawing applications | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | | |
| 2.5 | Applications withdrawn after conference/hearing and before decision | CMS+ | Results settling or withdrawing applications | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | Does not include applications dismissed by the Commission prior to conciliation pursuant to sections 399A or 587. | |
| 2.6 | Applications finalised by a decision | CMS+ | Results upholding an objection, granting and not granting the application | Result date | | |
| Table 1 | Arbitrated final results | CMS+ | Results granting and not granting an application | Calculated by administrative staff from data in item 2.6 | | |
| Table 2 | Arbitrated proceedings merits results | CMS+ | Results granting and not granting an application | Calculated by administrative staff from data in item 2.6 | | |
| 3 | Analysis | | | | | |
| 3 | Number of conciliations held | CMS+ | Results settling and not settling an application | Result date Additional calculations made by administrative staff | Includes all settled and not settled conciliations before a conciliator. Does not include applications withdrawn after conciliation. Conciliation refers to conciliations conducted by Fair Work | |

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| | | | | | Commission employees | |
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| 3.2 | Applications finalised at or prior to conciliation | CMS+ | Results settling or withdrawing applications | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | | |
| 3.3 | Applications finalised prior to a decision | CMS+ | Results settling or withdrawing applications | Result date | | |
| 4 | Mode of conciliation | | | | | |
| 4.1 | Conciliations conducted by telephone | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by a result | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | May not include applications that are withdrawn after conciliation | |
| 4.2 | Conciliations conducted in person | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by a result | Result date Additional calculations made by administrative staff | May not include applications that are withdrawn after conciliation | |
| 4.3 | Conciliation by video conference/other | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by a result | Result date. Additional calculations made by administrative staff | May not include applications that are withdrawn after conciliation | |
| 5 | General protections | | | | | |
| 5.1 | Number of applications for FWC to deal with dismissal disputes made under s.365 | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 6 | Disputes | | | | | |
| 6.1 | Number of applications for FWC to deal with dismissal disputes made under s.773 | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | |
| 7 | Settlement Rate | | | | | |
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| 7.1 | Settlement rate of applications at conciliation | CMS+ | Results settling and not settling an application | Result date. A calculation of the ratio of settled and not settled results made by administrative staff | | | | | | |
| Anti-Bull | Anti-Bullying quarterly report | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | Number of applications under s789FC | CMS+ | Matter type description | Lodgment date | | | | | | |
| 2 | Time from lodgment to commenced to deal with it | CMS+ | Matter type description and 'commenced to deal with' file note | 'Commenced to deal with' file note entry date. A calculation of the time from lodgment to a file note commencing to deal with the application made by administrative staff | Pursuant to section 789FE, the Commission must start to deal with an application within 14 days after the application is made. Matters are considered dealt with where the case management team, acting under delegation from the President, commences making enquiries for the purposes of gathering information for the Panel Head to assess how a matter should be progressed through the Commission, i.e. whether the matter is dealt with by a Commission Member or a staff mediator. | | | | | |
| 3 | Applications withdrawn early in case management process | CMS+ | Results withdrawing an application | Result date | Applications withdrawn with case management team or with Panel Head prior to substantive proceedings. | | | | | |
| 4 | Applications withdrawn prior to Conference of Hearing | CMS+ | Results withdrawing an application | Result date | | | | | | |
| 5 | Applications resolved during the course of proceedings | CMS+ | Results determining, settling and withdrawing applications | Result date | Includes matters that are resolved as a result of a listed conference, hearing, mention or mediation before a Commission Member or listed mediation by a staff member. | | | | | |
| 6 | Applications withdrawn after a Conference or Hearing and before decision | CMS+ | Results settling or withdrawing applications | Result date | | | | | | |

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| 7 | Applications finalised by a decision | CMS+ | Results granting and not granting an application | Result date | | |
| 8 | Jurisdictional objection upheld - application dismissed | CMS+ | Jurisdiction results upholding an objection | Result date | | |
| 9 | Application dismissed - bullying at work not found and/or no risk of bullying continuing | CMS+ | Results not granting the application | Result date | | |
| 10 | Application dismissed - s.587 | CMS+ | Results not granting the application | Result date | | |
| 11 | Application granted - worker at risk of continued bullying at work, order issued | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 12 | Application granted - worker at risk of continued bullying at work, order yet to be issued | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| 13 | Application granted - worker at risk of continued bullying at work, further decision and order issued | CMS+ | Results granting the application | Result date | | |
| | FWC Staff conducted mediations | | | | | |
| 14 | Number of applications subject to mediations | CMS+ | Listings for mediation | Listing date | | |
| 15 | Number of mediations conducted by telephone | CMS+ | Listings for mediation | Listing date | | |
| 16 | Number of mediations conducted in person | CMS+ | Listings for mediation | Listing date | | |
| 17 | Number of mediations by video conference/other | CMS+ | Listings for mediation | Listing date | | |
| | Demographic information | | | | Based on information provided by the parties where contact can be made. Totals will not necessarily add up to the total number of applications received. | |

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| 18 | Type of applicant worker | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by the commenced to deal with application file note | When the information is provided by the applicant | Based on information provided by the applicant in the application. | |
| 19 | Size of business | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by the commenced to deal with application file note | When the information is provided by the employer | "Employees" in terms of business size refers to employees and individual contractors where known and as indicated by parties to the matter. | |
| 20 | Worker alleges unreasonable behaviour is engaged by: | CMS+ | Information from an activity form generated by the commenced to deal with application file note | When the information is provided by the applicant | Based on information provided by the applicant in the application. | |
| 21 | Industries | CMS+ | Each file, when it is lodged, is assigned an industry. | Lodgement date | Industries with no applications made are not included. Not consistent with ASIC industry codes. | |