



Parliamentary Question – Public Bodies

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Question:

To ask the Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills, how many referrals Acas made to each public body relating to each (a) employment sector and (b) topic on its database in each year since 2009-10.

Response:

The only referrals recorded by Acas are those made to the various enforcement bodies that have been set up to protect vulnerable workers. Acas has made these referrals since taking over the Pay and Work Rights Helpline in April 2015. The number of referrals made to each enforcement body since April 2015 is set out in the following table:

	HMRC	EAS	HSE	GLA	Total
April to Feb Total	1,667	229	111	11	2,018

Source: Acas

- **HM Revenue and Customs (HMRC)** – calls on potential enforcement of the National Minimum Wage
- **Employment Agency Standards Inspectorate** – calls on potential enforcement of employment agency legislation (except Agency Worker Regulations)
- **Gangmasters Licensing Authority (GLA)** – calls relating to agency workers in agriculture, horticulture, shellfish gathering or associated processing and packaging
- **Health and Safety Executive (HSE)** – calls on potential enforcement of working time issues, including enforcement of maximum weekly working

hours