



WORKPLACE SURVEY 2002 FACT SHEET

ABOUT THE SURVEY

The ACTU's *National Survey of Workplace Issues 2002* is Australia's largest employee survey excluding the Census.

A total of 8,259 completed questionnaires were returned and processed from across Australia in the survey period between May and August 2002.

AIMS OF THE SURVEY

- To take stock of current workplace sentiments among employees
- To identify shifts or changes, if any, in workplace issues
- To enable the ACTU to develop long term strategies to address these issues

ABOUT THE RESPONDENTS

- The average weekly earnings of respondents was \$736 per week before tax
- The average hours of work of respondents was 36 hours per week
- 73% of respondents were full time
- 21% were part time
- 5% were casual (1% not known)
- 58% lived in capital cities,
- 25% in regional centres
- 16% in rural areas
- 56% of respondents were female
- 42% were male (2% not known)
- 78% were white collar workers
- 19% were blue collar workers
- 94% of respondents were union members

MAIN OCCUPATIONS OF RESPONDENTS

- 25% professional
- 18% clerks
- 15% managers/administrators
- 11% para-professionals
- 10% sales/personal services
- 8% machine operator/driver
- 7% labourer or related worker
- 5% tradesperson