

National Food Services Campaign

The Fair Work Ombudsman has conducted a sample review of the food services sector between October 2008 and May 2009.

A sample group of employers in the food services area including the take away food sector were targeted for a compliance audit.

Of the audits undertaken and finalised to date the Fair Work Ombudsman has found that 42% of employers to be in breach of their industrial obligations to their employees. These employers had about 292 breaches of award obligations between them.

Non compliance with the correct payment of wages accounted for 29% of the breaches, non or incorrect payment of weekend penalties or district allowances made up another 11% of breaches, and a further 21% were as a result of employers not complying with payslip requirements.

The Fair Work Ombudsman is now seeking to recover \$469,502 for more than 714 workers as a result of this campaign.

Further details can be found on the Fair Work Ombudsman's website