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**WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NUMBER: 35 [NW37E]**

**35. Ms C N Mkhonto (EFF) to ask the Minister of Employment and Labour:**

Whether his department has done any investigations into the adherence of employers to labour laws during the lockdown to curb the spread of COVID-19; if so, has he found that employers adhered to the specified laws in the manner that they treat the workers during the lockdown? NW37E

**REPLY:**

The Occupational Health and Safety inspectors, nationally, conducted around **18 238 inspections** for the three quarters in the financial year 2020/21. **47%** of workplaces inspected were found to be non-compliant whilst **53%** were found to be compliant with OHS and COVID19 Directions.

Around **8619** notices were issued to non-compliant employers during this period. This included contravention, prohibition and improvement notices.