Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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OUTCOME 12: Health Workforce Capacity

Topic: HEALTH WORKFORCE AUSTRALIA

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Do you have any statistics in relation to the number of people commencing dental school? How many commencing dental school places have there been each year from 2008 until this year?

Answer:

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (DEEWR) publish data on commencing students enrolled in courses leading to registration as a Dentist. This is available for 2008 and 2009 but data for 2010 are not yet available.

State/Provider	2008			2009		
	Males	Females	PERSONS	Males	Females	PERSONS
New South Wales	46	64	110	53	56	109
Victoria	55	69	124	51	66	117
Queensland	75	78	153	130	152	282
Western Australia	20	34	54	21	31	52
South Australia	28	49	77	34	41	75
Australia	224	294	518	289	346	635

Commencing Students Enrolled in Courses leading to Registration as a Dentist