Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome: Higher Education Research and International

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000002

Senator Simms, Robert provided in writing

University Staff/students ratio

Question

Has the department investigated whether the discrepancy between increases in staffing and student numbers will impact on class sizes?

Answer

No. The student to staff ratio does not indicate average class size. The student to staff ratio is an institutional average and the actual number of students per teacher will vary depending on the subject and level of study.