Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2015 - 2016

Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EMSQ16-000148

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Relates to previous Employment Question No EMSQ15-000407

Question

Update to EMSQ15-000407 - Work for the Dole outcomes

Please provide updates to the following QoNs from Supplementary Budget Estimates 2015-16 using the latest available data/period: EMSQ15-000407

Answer

Only those job seekers who both commenced in Work for the Dole and who were able to find work in the period July to September 2015 have had the opportunity to be in a job long enough for a provider to claim a 12 week outcome as at 31 December 2015. 1,661 – Full or partial 12 week outcomes have been claimed for job seekers meeting these two criteria. 51 per cent of these 12 week outcomes were for job seekers under the age of 30 years.

Note that other job seekers who commenced Work for the Dole were tracking towards but had not yet achieved a 12 week period in employment as at 31 December 2015.

26 week outcomes are only able to start being claimed from 1 January 2016 in relation to job seekers placed and maintaining paid employment since 1 July 2015.