Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome: Skills and Training

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ17-000145

Senator Cameron, Doug provided in writing.

Trade Support Loan (rate of attrition for apprentices and trainees)

Question

What is the rate of attrition for apprentices and trainees that are eligible for trade support loans? Please report for each year eg attrition over the 1st year, 2nd year, 3rd year and 4th year.

Answer

Table 1: Cancellation rates for apprenticeship cohorts that were eligible for Trade Support Loans.

	2010–11	2011–12	2012–13	2013–14	2014–15	2015–16
Cancellation rates	40.7%	39.9%	40.1%	35.6%	30.4%	20.4%
1st year	21.2%	20.1%	20.0%	20.3%	20.8%	18.4%
2nd year	9.1%	9.0%	9.7%	10.2%	8.7%	2.0%
3rd year	4.6%	5.0%	5.0%	4.5%	1.0%	
4th year	4.3%	4.8%	4.8%	0.5%		
More than 4 years	1.5%	1.1%	0.6%			

Note 1: Grey figures indicate apprentices that are unlikely to have been affected by TSL as they completed/cancelled prior to the introduction of TSL. A small portion of these may have recommenced after the introduction of TSL, and since completed/cancelled.