Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EM0795_15

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

Work experience phase

Please provide the number of jobseekers currently in each JSA stream and in the Work Experience phase, broken down by duration of unemployment (<1 year, 1-2 years, 2-3 years, 3 years or more), and by participation in different types of Work Experience activities.

Answer

Table 1 below provides a count of job seekers by unemployment duration for each stream split between those in Work Experience Phase (WEPh), including the Compulsory Activity Phase (CAP), and those not within Work Experience Phase as at 31 March 2014.

Stream	Unemployment Duration							
	< 1 Year		1 - < 2 Years		2 - < 3 Years		3 Years +	
	Not in WEPh/CAP	WEPh/CAP	Not in WEPh/CAP	WEPh/CAP	Not in WEPh/CAP	WEPh/CAP	Not in WEPh/CAP	WEPh/CAP
Stream 1	217,682	2,022	20,618	27,160	4,298	7,173	3,727	2,023
Stream 2	85,749	1,156	35,826	19,796	12,668	16,261	11,329	17,693
Stream 3	29,801	980	18,447	8,201	12,001	10,461	23,580	46,340
Stream 4	28,191	1,463	23,864	6,159	12,311	12,219	20,345	50,623
Total	361,423	5,621	98,755	61,316	41,278	46,114	58,981	116,679

Table 1 – Job Services Australia caseload by unemployment duration split by WEPh/CAP and non-WEPh/CAP as at 31 March 2014

Note:

1) The table excludes job seekers in Stream 1 Limited and those with Eligibility to be Determined.

2) Job seekers not in Work Experience Phase include those who are suspended and those who have not completed sufficient time in their current stream to enter the Work Experience Phase after 12 months of Stream Services.