

**Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
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**Outcome 1 - Employment**

**Department of Employment Question No. EM0870\_15**

**Senator Back asked on 3 June 2014 on proof Hansard page 72**

**Question**

**Studies of Work for the Dole**

Ms Taylor: I have not done a literature search of the studies. But the main studies that have been undertaken, as I understand them— Senator CAMERON: That you know of? Ms Taylor: I will be corrected by Ms Kidd—are those two that I mentioned. CHAIR: Are they publicly available? Ms Taylor: Yes, they are. CHAIR: Perhaps you could make them available to the committee. Thank you for that.

**Answer**

The studies referred to the 2003 study by Jeff Borland and Yi-Ping Tseng of Melbourne University and work done by John Nevile and Ann Nevile from the University of New South Wales. There are two items by John and Ann Nevile, a 2003 study and a Journal article in 2006 which references the previous Borland - Yi-Ping Tseng study. All are publicly available and the links are included below:

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2003, Book edition: *Work for the Dole: Obligation or Opportunity*: Anne Nevile, John Nevile: Centre for Applied Economic Research, University of New South Wales, 2003.  
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