

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 3 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EM0094_14

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

Number of job seekers in each JSA stream and 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 in Work Experience Phase (WEPH) (including those within Compulsory Activity Phase) and those Not within Work Experience Phase as at 30 September 2013.

Table 1 – Job Services Australia Caseload as at 30 September 2013

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	191,634	1,556	17,458	20,761	3,511	4,215	3,330	1,243
Stream 2	87,756	1,001	36,485	17,163	11,314	13,860	10,963	14,134
Stream 3	31,718	1,006	18,388	8,387	11,333	10,062	23,542	45,295
Stream 4	30,280	1,485	25,082	7,031	11,572	11,424	21,253	47,853
Total	341,388	5,048	97,413	53,342	37,730	39,561	59,088	108,525

Note:

- 1) The table excludes job seekers in Stream 1 limited and those with eligibility not yet 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.

Table 2 below provides a count of the number of activity placements for job seekers in the Work Experience (WEPH)/Compulsory Activity Phase (CAP) grouped by Work Experience Activity and duration of unemployment at time of placement.

Table 2 – Job Service Australia Work Experience Phase/Compulsory Activity Phase (WEPH/CAP) Activity Placements as at 30 September 2013

Activity	Unemployment Duration				Total
	< 1 Year	1 - < 2 Years	2 - < 3 Years	3 Years +	
Work for the Dole	323	3,780	2,785	8,618	15,506
Green Corps	1	18	21	59	99
Voluntary Work in community/non profit sector	75	1,233	1,070	4,331	6,709
Unpaid Work Experience	3	84	65	185	337
Accredited/non-accredited Education/ Training (Vocational)	1,030	18,542	14,130	29,612	63,314
Non Vocational Assistance and Interventions	875	7,231	7,776	33,687	49,569
Part Time/Casual Paid Employment	541	9,864	6,802	17,338	34,545
Other Approved Programmes	418	4,398	3,820	7,895	16,531
Total	3,266	45,150	36,469	101,725	186,610

Note:

- 1) A job seeker may undertake more than one activity placement at a same time.
- 2) Job seekers can be in the Work Experience/Compulsory Activity Phase but not undertaking an activity placement because they are suspended or their provider has not yet placed them in an activity.