

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015

Outcome 3 - Higher Education, Reform & Support

Department of Education Question No. ED0694\_15

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question

***ASDOT: Financial support for overseas-trained professionals program***

Why has the ASDOT: Financial support for overseas-trained professionals program been closed for applications for 2014-15? What is the program budget for ASDOT: Financial support for overseas-trained professionals program? How many applications were received and how many were funded for each year from 2007-08 to the current financial year?

Answer

The Assessment Subsidy for Overseas Trained Professionals Programme (ASDOT) remains open for applications in 2014-15.

The ASDOT appropriation for 2014-15 is \$806,000. ASDOT application numbers are at Table 1 below.

**Table 1. ASDOT Expenditure Summary**

<b>Financial year</b>	<b>Applications received*</b>	<b>Applications funded**</b>
<b>2007-08</b>	547	479
<b>2008-09</b>	735	472
<b>2009-10</b>	712	519
<b>2010-11</b>	713	516
<b>2011-12</b>	627	455
<b>2012-13</b>	811	418
<b>2013-14</b>	789	366
<b>2014-15 (As of 31 Oct 2014)</b>	190	249

\* Some applications received are not eligible for funding.

\*\*Some applications funded may have been received in the previous financial year.