

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

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Department of Employment Question No. EM0903_15

Senator Ludwig provided in writing.

Question

Graduate intake

"1. What was the graduate intake for 2012-2013? 2. What was the graduate intake for 2013-2014? 3. What is the graduate intake for 2014-2015? 4. What will be the graduate intake for 2015-2016?"

Answer

The department's graduate programme is structured on a calendar year.

The department was created on 18 September 2013 following machinery of government changes. Twenty nine graduates who commenced with the former Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations in early 2013 were allocated to the department as part of those machinery of government changes.

The department's graduate intake for 2014 was 23 graduates.

The department's graduate intake for 2015 is expected to be 31 graduates, including one Indigenous graduate through the Australian Public Service Commission Indigenous Graduate Programme, and one cadet who already works in the department.

The department's graduate intake for 2016 is yet to be determined.