

## Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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

#### Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EM1668\_15

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#### Question

##### Employment Pathway Fund outcomes

Senator SIEWERT: So we have had about a 50 per cent success rate. Ms Drayton: It actually works out to be a 65 per cent conversion rate to 26-week outcomes, and that is the Employment Pathway Fund. Senator SIEWERT: How does that work when there are 14,000 of 29,000? Ms Drayton: It is of those people that were placed in the job and were tracking towards an outcome. I might just get somebody to exactly explain that to you because it is quite a specific calculation. Do you want that now or do you want me to keep going through? Senator SIEWERT: Could you take that one on notice? I am still struggling. Are you suggesting that some of those 13-week outcomes may convert into 26-week outcomes? Is that the bottom line? Ms Drayton: I will put the actual calculation on notice? Senator SIEWERT: That would be appreciated.

#### Answer

From 1 July 2013 to 31 August 2014, 29,903 job placements were subsidised with wage subsidies through the Employment Pathway Fund. To calculate the job placement to 13 and 26 week conversion rate, job placements are excluded from the calculation if the job placement occurred less than 13 or 26 weeks ago.

Of these 29,903 job placements

- 27,228 occurred at least 13 weeks prior to 31 August 2014, and 78 per cent (21,112) achieved a 13 week outcome
- 22,117 occurred at least 26 weeks prior to 31 August, and 65 per cent (14,406) achieved a 26 week outcome.