

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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SENATE ESTIMATES SESSION

Supplementary Budget Estimates 18-22 November 2013

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Question:

Ms Gumley: I think there are 19 regions in the Territory and there might be a provider that is delivering in a couple of places. Were you after the number of regions in the Northern Territory?

Senator PERIS: This program was rolled out in May this year. Am I able to obtain the funding that has already been rolled out to specific service providers?

Ms Kemp: It is a demand driven program. They receive service fees for their servicing of the job seeker when the job seeker commences and then outcome fees and a series of other fees as time goes on. I can give you a breakdown of how much funding the provider receives per job seeker they service. We can times it by the number of job seekers. That information is easily available.

Senator PERIS: That would be fantastic—for the Northern Territory.

Senator McLUCAS: Can I also have it for the rest of Australia as well.

CHAIR: If we could wrap up this line of questioning because we need to move on to education— Senator PERIS: The questions are not that long. To date, has there been any sort of review of the RJCP since the new government came to office?

Ms Gumley: No. There is no specific review of the Remote Jobs and Communities Program. There is a review of all employment and training programs underway by Mr Andrew Forrest, and RJCP will be an important component of that.

Senator PERIS: Do you have statistics on the uptake of the RJCP in those specific regions—for example, how many jobs have been provided?

Ms Gumley: Ms Kemp just provided the national data about job placements and outcomes. If you would like us to provide the information about outcomes by state or territory, we could do that on notice.

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Answer:

Table 1 provides a list of providers delivering RJCP and the current number of job seekers they are servicing.

Table 2 provides the payment amounts that providers receive when servicing each job seeker, placing them into jobs and achieving job, participation and education outcomes.

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Table 1 (numbers as at 8 December 2013):

RJCP Region	Region Name	Provider organisation Name	Commenced job seekers
1	Christmas-Cocos Islands	Indian Ocean Group Training Association	57
2	Kambalda/Norseman Region WA	MAX Employment	371
3	Ngaanyatjarra Lands WA	Ngaanyatjarra Council Aboriginal Corporation	644
4	Yaaliku Region WA	Meedac Incorporated	339
5	Mid West - West Region WA	Mission Australia	638
6	Gascoyne Region WA	The Salvation Army (VIC) Property Trust	599
7	Mid West - East Region WA	Mission Australia	307
8	Karratha Region WA	Enterprise Management Group	757
9	Port Hedland Region WA	Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation	832
10	Western Desert Region WA	Ashburton Aboriginal Corporation	354
11	Kullarri Region WA	Kullarri Regional CDEP Inc	302
12	Fitzroy Valley Region WA	Marra Worra Worra Aboriginal Corporation	635
13	Halls Creek/Tjurabalan Region WA	East Kimberley Job Pathways	532
14	Derby/Gibb River Region WA	Winun Ngari Aboriginal Corporation	886
15	East Kimberley Region WA	East Kimberley Job Pathways	853
16	Eyre Region SA	Complete Personnel	333
17	Far West Region SA	Complete Personnel	575
18	Flinders and Far North Region SA	Complete Personnel	526
19	Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Lands SA	Skill Hire WA Pty Ltd	661
20	South East Alice Region NT	CatholicCare NT	260
21	South West Alice Region NT	Wana Ungkunyitja Pty Ltd	241
22	West Alice Region NT	Tjuwanpa Outstation Resource Centre Aboriginal Cor	361
23	Alice Springs District NT	Tangentyere Employment Services	329
24	North East Alice Region NT	Enterprise Management Group	381
25	North West Alice Region NT	Central Desert Shire Council	534
26	South East Barkly Region NT	Julalikari Homeland Resource Centre	270
27	Far West Alice Region NT	Ngurratjuta-Pmara Ntjarra Aboriginal Corp	336
28	North Barkly Region NT	Julalikari Homeland Resource Centre	496
29	Gulf Region NT	Gulf Savannah NT Aboriginal Corporation	416
30	Ngukurr/Numbulwar Region NT	Roper Gulf Shire Council	780

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31	Katherine Region NT	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	561
32	Victoria River Region NT	Victoria Daly Shire Council	426
33	Central Arnhem Region NT	Roper Gulf Shire Council	335
34	Wadeye Region NT	Thamarrurr Development Corporation	647
35	Darwin Daly Region NT	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	666
36	Tiwi Region NT	Tiwi Islands Training & Employment Board	517
37	West Arnhem Region NT	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	498
38	Maningrida Region NT	Bawinanga Aboriginal Corporation	837
39	Milingimbi/Ramingining Region NT	The Arnhem Land Progress Aboriginal Corporation	577
40	Galiwin'ku Region NT	Marthakal Homelands Resource Centre Association	526
41	Gapuwiyak-Yirrkala Region NT	Miwatj Employment And Participation Ltd	755
42	Groote Region NT	GEBIE Services Pty Limited	464
43	Far West Region NSW	Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation Ltd	236
44	Upper Darling Region NSW	Murdi Paaki Regional Enterprise Corporation Ltd	671
45	South West Region QLD	MAX Employment	368
46	Central West Region QLD	Employment Services Queensland	200
47	Cloncurry Region QLD	MAX Employment	277
48	West Isa/Alpurrurulam Region QLD	Rainbow Gateway Limited	224
49	Doomadgee Region QLD	Enterprise Management Group	240
50	Palm Island QLD	Campbell Page	655
51	Wellesley Islands QLD	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	193
52	Western Tablelands Region QLD	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	565
53	Carpentaria Region QLD	Bynoe Community Advancement Co-Op Society Ltd	257
54	Cook Region QLD	Enterprise Management Group	687
55	Kowanyama/Pormpuraaw Region QLD	Jobfind Centres Australia Pty Ltd	391
56	Central Cape Region QLD	Enterprise Management Group	142
57	Western Cape Region QLD	Enterprise Management Group	371
58	Northern Peninsula Area QLD	Enterprise Management Group	347
59	Torres Strait Islands QLD	Enterprise Management Group	853
60	Aurukun/Coen Region QLD	Cape York Employment	372
		Total	28463

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Table 2: RJCP Provider Payments

Payment type	\$ Amount per job seeker (gst inc)	When payment can be claimed
Activity Payment	\$687.50	On Commencement and every quarter thereafter for the first 12 months.
	\$550.00	At the start of the second 12 months and every following quarter.
Youth Corps (in addition to Activity Payment)	\$7,700	50% at commencement and 50% at 20 week mark
Job placement	\$385	When a job seeker works between 15-49 hours over no more than 10 business days for those with Partial Capacity to Work (PCW) and Principal Carers .
	\$550	When a job seeker works at least 50 hours over no more than 10 business days for all other job seekers.
Pathway Employment Outcomes (<i>generally when a job seeker works in a part time job which takes them partially off income support or partially meeting their participation requirements</i>)		
	\$550	When a job seeker works 13 weeks over a maximum of 26 consecutive weeks
	\$1,100	When a job seeker works 26 weeks over a maximum of 52 consecutive weeks
Full Employment Outcomes (<i>generally when a job seeker works in a full time job which takes them off income support or meeting their participation requirements</i>)		
Partial Work Capacity	\$1100	When a job seeker works seven weeks over a maximum of 14 consecutive weeks
All other job seekers	\$825	
Partial Work Capacity	\$3,300	When a job seeker works 13 weeks over a maximum of 26 consecutive weeks
All other job seekers	\$2,475	
Partial Work Capacity	\$3,300	When a job seeker works 26 weeks over a maximum of 52 consecutive weeks
All other job seekers	\$2,475	
Education Outcomes	\$275	When a job seeker commences a Certificate I level or higher course, or re- commences in school
	\$2,750	When job seeker has completed Certificate II or higher, one school semester with provider assistance to re-enrol, or one semester of an Education Program.
Participation Outcomes	\$385	When a job seeker has completed a program, course or a series of activities to address non-vocational barriers. Can be claimed once per job seeker in a 12 month period.
Participation Account (<i>reimbursement for the cost of goods and services purchased for the job seeker</i>)		
Partial Work Capacity	\$3,300	At initial commencement of job seeker, the credit is placed into a notional bank for provider, allowing provider to vary expenditure on each individual job seeker based on their needs
All other job seekers	\$2,750	
All job seekers	\$2,200	Anniversary of a job seeker in RJCP a further credit is placed into the notional back for providers