

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 1

**Output Group:** 1.4 – Assistance for Transition through and from School

#### **DEST Question No. E929\_04**

Senator Carr provided in writing.

#### **Question:**

Can the Department provide the most recent data on the outcomes achieved by participants exiting all transition support programmes including Jobs Pathway Programme by the following:

1. % employed full time
2. % employed part time
3. % employed casual
4. % employed total
5. % not in labour force
6. % receiving further assistance (transferred to other forms of income support)
7. % in education and training
8. number of exits.

#### **Answer**

##### *Transition support programmes*

No. However the Department can provide the following information on services delivered to young people through the following programmes.

#### **(A) Pathways Outreach Education Model Pilots (POEM)**

- Destinations for young people who exited POEMs in 2002 and 2003 include approximately 40 percent to further education and training, 19 percent to employment and 10 percent to other programmes appropriate to individuals needs. The POEM pilots have assisted almost 2,500 vulnerable young people to re-engage with mainstream education and training after dropping out or becoming disconnected with school.
- When the final reports of both the Career and Transitions (CAT) and the Partnership Outreach Education Model Pilot (POEM) Pilots are received and accepted they will be released on the Departmental website.

#### **(B) Careers and Transition Pilots (CAT)**

- The Careers and Transitions Pilots provide access to professional career advice, and ongoing assistance with transition planning from year 8 and targets young people aged 13 - 19. The CAT pilots have assisted more than 37 000 young people with 24,000 of these participants to develop and implement individual learning pathway plans.
- When the final reports of both the Career and Transitions (CAT) and the Partnership Outreach Education Model Pilot (POEM) Pilots are received and accepted they will

be released on the Departmental website. The release of both reports is expected by the end of June 2004.

**(C) *The Enterprise and Career Education Programme and Industry Engagement Projects Programme***

- The Enterprise and Career Education Programme and Industry Engagement Projects Programme do not provide direct assistance or support to young people. Rather, the programmes provide funding to support strategic enterprise, career and industry initiatives.

**(D) *Structured Workplace Learning (SWL)***

- The most recent SWL destination data available is for the calendar year 2002. This showed that 46% of participants were employed on either a full or part time basis and nearly 44% were in education which may include part time work. A further 7% were unemployed and the remaining 3 % were not in the labour force in that they were not actively seeking work.

**(E) *Jobs Pathway Programme (JPP)***

- All Jobs Pathway Programme recipients receive an initial assessment to establish the individual needs of the young person.
- In 2002/03, 42% of these recipients received general career advice and advice on pre-vocational training, the local job market, new apprenticeships, post secondary studies and school based vocational studies. A further 33% received personal assistance such as mentoring, assistance with literacy and numeracy or were referred to other programmes such as the New Apprenticeship Access Programme (NAAP) or Centrelink for instance. The remaining 25 % received employment related assistance designed to assist the participant to obtain and maintain employment which included assistance with resumes, job applications and preparing for job interviews.