

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2

**Output Group:** 2.1 – Funding for Vocational Education and Training

#### **DEST Question No. E804\_05**

Senator Carr provided in writing.

*Refers to DEST Question No E378\_05*

#### **Question:**

What would ANTA funding have been in each year of the 1998-2000 agreement if growth funding had not been abolished?

#### **Answer:**

*Funding under the ANTA Agreement 1998-2000*

Growth funding for 1997 under the ANTA Agreement was about \$62 million. States and Territories were also able to access additional Australian Government funding totalling \$21.5 million to help finance trainee commencements beyond their base target numbers. The additional funds for trainees were rolled into general recurrent funding under the ANTA Agreement from 1998. For the ANTA Agreement 1998 to 2000 all parties agreed that growth would be achieved through improving the efficiency of VET provision over 1998 to 2000, rather than through additional funding. Over this period student numbers increased by 208,100 (from 1,509,800 in 1998 to 1,707,900 in 2000).