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

Outcome: 1 and 2

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance to individuals including those with special needs.

2.5 – Assistance for post school students including those with special needs.

DEST Question No. E870 05

Senator Crossin asked on 16 February 2005, EWRE Hansard page 110.

Question:

From where did the figures in this ABSTUDY document emanate? Where did you take them from? This document does not say from where the figures were taken?

Answer:

Source of figures used in the ABSTUDY review discussion paper

Figures used in the discussion paper *Review into the impact of ABSTUDY policy changes that came into effect in 2000* are derived from data obtained from a number of sources including published and unpublished information, as outlined in the table below.

Source of figures used in ABSTUDY review discussion paper

Figures	Source
School students	Schools (Australia) ABS Catalogue number 4221.0 (various years)
Year 12 retention	Schools (Australia) ABS Catalogue number 4221.0 (various years)
VET enrolments	NCVER National VET Provider Collection and various NCVER publications
Higher education enrolments	Higher Education Student Collection
New Apprentices	NCVER National VET Provider Collection and various NCVER publications
ABSTUDY recipients	Up to and including 1999 - DEST data After 2000 – Centrelink data (see attachment to discussion paper)
Labour force	Labour Force Characteristics of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians, Experimental Estimates from the Labour Force Survey, 1994 to 2000 – ABS Cat. No. 6287.0