

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
17 FEBRUARY 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Outputs 1.2.2: Employment Services

Question Number: W230-05

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Please provide a breakdown of the numbers of jobseekers who obtained (a) Intensive Support, and (b) Intensive Support Customised Assistance through 2004 according to:

- duration of unemployment (<1 year, 1-2 yrs, 2-3 yrs, 3 yrs plus)
- age and sex
- indigenous, CALD and disability and sole parent status, including the number on DSP
- educational attainment
- state
- disadvantage category (highly disadvantaged/other).

Answer:

(a) Intensive Support

Data on the job seekers whose first Intensive Support commencement occurred in calendar year 2004 is shown in Table 1 to Table 4. Note that a breakdown by educational attainment is not readily available.

Table 1: Duration of Unemployment

Total	Less than 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years +
383 181	279 001	43 755	21 220	39 205

Table 2: Age and Sex

Gender	Total	Under 21 years	22 - 24 years	25 - 44 years	45 - 49 years	50 years +
F	152 061	46 781	27 139	49 137	12 455	16 549
M	231 120	46 885	38 929	102 713	14 799	27 794
Total	383 181	93 666	66 068	151 850	27 254	44 343

Table 3*: Characteristics, including Highly Disadvantaged

Highly Disadvantaged	Aboriginal - Torres Strait Islander	Non-English Speaking Background	People with a Disability	Lone Parents	DSP recipients
94 484	35 550	54 278	25 080	16 076	4 244

*Categories are not mutually exclusive and will not sum to the total number.

Table 4: State

Total	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
383 181	3 306	114 386	7 902	91 135	30 949	11 851	86 231	37 421

(b) Intensive Support customised assistance

Data on the Intensive Support customised assistance commencements in calendar year 2004 is shown in Table 5 to Table 8. Note that a breakdown by educational attainment is not readily available.

Table 5: Duration of unemployment

Total	Less than 1 year	1 year	2 years	3 years +
301 325	82 491	95 603	39 164	84 067

Table 6: Age and sex

Gender	Total	Under 21 yrs	22 - 24 years	25 - 44 years	45 - 49 years	50 years +
F	112 205	23 525	17 140	38 835	13 269	19 436
M	189 120	22 057	25 764	83 643	16 181	41 475
Total	301 325	45 582	42 904	122 478	29 450	60 911

Table 7*: Characteristics, including Highly Disadvantaged

Highly Disadvantaged	Aboriginal - Torres Strait Islander	Non-English speaking background	People with a Disability	Lone Parents	DSP recipients
129 734	39 862	46 878	31 568	17 421	4 391

*Categories are not mutually exclusive and will not sum to the total number.

Table 8: State

Total	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA
301 325	2 416	94 092	7 479	64 190	25 690	13 497	65 911	28 050