

**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**

Output 1.2.2: **Employment Services**

Question Number: **W245-05**

Question:

Senator asked in writing:

What proportion of clients assisted by each program were: (a) DSP recipients and (b) other income support recipients with a disability? Could you also provide a breakdown by disability type?

Answer:

Proportion of customers assisted by Employment Programs who are receiving DSP and Other Income Support Payments at 30 June 2004, Intensive Support and Intensive Support Customised Assistance data at 25 March 2005.

30 June 2004	(A) DSP Recipients %	(B) Other Income Support Recipients with Disabilities %
Open Employment Services	46.5	17.7
Job Network Intensive Support (total)	1.8*	7.8*
Job Network Intensive Support Customised Assistance *	3.0#	10.5#
Personal Support Program (commenced or suspended)	6.0	21.0
Commonwealth Rehabilitation Service	24.4	64.8

* Proportion of the Intensive Support Active Caseload

Proportion of the Intensive Support Customised Assistance Active Caseload

Personal Support Program

Personal Support Program data does not currently enable a breakdown by disability type.

Open Employment Services

Customers Assisted by Open Employment Services by Primary Disability Type
2003/2004

Primary Disability	Percentage %
Intellectual	27.3
Special Learning/ADD	9.9
Autism	2.2
Physical	20.3
Blind/Deaf	0.4
Vision	3.5
Hearing	4.4
Speech	0.4
Psychiatric	24.3
Neurological	3.7
Acquired Brain injury	3.6
	100

Vocational Rehabilitation

New Customers Supported by CRS by Primary Disability Type 2003-2004

Primary Disability	Percentage %
Physical	57.7
Intellectual/Learning	2.2
Acquired brain injury	4.3
Vision	1.3
Speech	0.1
Psychiatric	27.8
Hearing	2.6
Neurological	1.5
Blind/Deaf	0.1
Other	1.8
	100

Job Network Intensive Support

Disabilities recorded, where available, for DSP recipients participating in Job Network Intensive Support at 30 June 2004:

Disability Category	Percentage* %
Physical	33.8%
Psychiatric and Psychological	25.0%
Intellectual and Learning	7.3%
Hearing	3.7%
Vision	2.5%
Other	16.6%
Substance abuse / addiction	2.8%
Acquired Brain Injury	2.4%
Autistic conditions	0.8%
Neurological	4.9%
Speech	0.2%
Total	100%

Identified disability categories for other income support recipients with a disability, participating in Job Network Intensive Support at 30 June 2004.

Disability Category	Percentage* %
Physical	45.8%
Psychiatric and Psychological	16.4%
Intellectual and Learning	2.0%
Hearing	2.2%
Vision	2.0%
Other	21.4%
Substance abuse / addiction	5.8%
Acquired Brain Injury	0.4%
Autistic conditions	0.1%
Neurological	3.7%
Speech	0.2%
Total	100.0%

*Note: Job Network administrative data records the types of disabilities disclosed by job seekers and recorded on the department's Job Network information technology records at 30 June 2004. Job Network services, and administrative data, are not categorised by "primary" disability type. Job seekers may participate in Job Network while receiving a Disability Support Pension or having a disability without disclosing their condition(s) or may disclose one or multiple types of disability.