

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

**2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
15 FEBRUARY 2007
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.1: Working age policy

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Question:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* pages 11 and 28:

What was the modelled demand for services from the effect of the Welfare to Work cohort? And, consolidate the new information with what was estimated.

Answer:

Estimates of additional places in the main employment services in 2006-07 in relation to the people with disability measure, as calculated at Additional Estimates in February 2006 are as follows:

Employment Service	Number of Places in 2006-07
Job Network	10,128
Disability Employment Network	3,372
Vocational Rehabilitation	5,058
Personal Support Program	1,545
Job Placement Employment and Training	60

Estimates of additional places in the main employment services in 2006-07 in relation to the measure to increase the participation of parents, as calculated at Additional Estimates in February 2006 are as follows:

Employment Service	Number of Places in 2006-07
Job Network	44,752
Disability Employment Network	1,697
Vocational Rehabilitation	2,227
Personal Support Program	2,449

Service places are not earmarked for particular client groups.

Between 1 July 2006 and 30 March 2007, 12,500 principal carer parents and 15,000 people with a partial capacity to work of 15 to 29 hours received Job Network services. The partial capacity to work figure includes people who were already on Newstart prior to 1 July 2006 who were subsequently assessed as having a partial work capacity of 15 to 29 hours.

In relation to the Disability Employment Network, Personal Support Programme and Vocational Rehabilitation Services, it is not possible to disaggregate principal carer parent and people with partial capacity of 15-29 hours groups from the data. These programmes are currently having their EA3000 computer system capacity built. Once fully operational, it will be possible for data to be extracted to the level of detail required.