

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

**Outcome 2 - Schools**

**DEEWR Question No.EW1005\_10**

**Senator Hanson-Young asked on 11/02/2010, Hansard page 53.**

**Question**

**MY SCHOOLS**

Senator HANSON-YOUNG—Mr McGaw, I refer to the answers that you gave earlier to my questions relating to the type of access that schools got to review the information they had or the data that was being used to make these types of comparisons. Through this process how many schools were moved into different categories after the index was applied and before the site went live and on air? If you ran this review process, was there any change to the way in which schools were categorised?

Prof. McGaw—Yes, there were schools that were shifted. The consultation was not with individual schools; the consultation was with the authorities, which had the bigger picture than the individual school. There were those such as the one I mentioned in Carlton which were shifted. I do not have those figures but we can provide them. We have also undertaken to give the council of ministers a report on the extent to which there were final values that were different from the calculated values.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG—So there were some?

Prof. McGaw—Yes.

Senator HANSON-YOUNG—You are saying that you will have to take on notice the numbers. Was it a significant amount or a moderate amount?

Prof. McGaw—In some places more than 10 per cent.

**Answer**

The ICSEA values of 9509 schools were reviewed and validated pre-launch. The values for 7% of these schools were adjusted upon receipt of additional information.