

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

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

**Outcome 2 - Schools**

**DEEWR Question No.EW1024\_10**

**Senator Mason asked on 11/02/2010, Hansard page 89.**

**Question**

**P21 PROJECTS**

Senator MASON—Are the projects that have not commenced generally for larger schools with more than 150 students? Is there any particularity to which you can direct the committee, or is it just random?

Ms Wall—I would have to check that, but I expect they would be a mixture and they would be related to various issues that have caused the education authorities to want to push them back. They could be things like amalgamating schools, site problems, deciding to retender.

Senator MASON—It could be a range of reasons?

Ms Wall—Yes.

**Answer**

Of the non-commenced *Primary Schools for the 21st Century* projects, 34 per cent are small schools with under 150 students, with the remaining 66 per cent being large schools. This is based on the number of non-commenced projects at 31 December 2009, and the school size as reported by schools and Education Authorities on funding applications.