

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2010-2011

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

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Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE & INCOME SUPPORT

Please provide data on the overall number, characteristics, and employment outcomes of unemployed people who participated in the Work experience phase of Job Services Australia (within each Stream and overall) over the year ending September 2010, in the same format (and with the same breakdown of characteristics and outcomes) as in the latest Labour Market Assistance Outcomes publication.

Answer

Labour Market Assistance Outcomes data (December 2010) relate to job seekers who participated in Job Services Australia in the 12 months between 1 October 2009 and 30 September 2010. Outcomes are measured 3 months after the job seekers has participated in assistance under Job Services Australia. It should be noted that for this 12 month period, the majority of job seekers in assistance under JSA were participating in Stream Services. At the start of JSA on 1 July 2009, the number of job seekers who moved directly into the Work Experience phase, as part of the transition arrangements, was very small.

Table 1 shows the outcomes of job seekers who participated in the Work Experience phase for Streams 2 to 4 combined. Stream 1 job seekers did not enter the Work Experience phase until JSA had been operating for 12 months, as such there were insufficient survey responses for Stream 1 job seekers for this period. The numbers of job seekers by individual Streams, Stream 2 to 4, were combined to produce statistically reliable outcomes data for the Work Experience phase for the period specified.

As the JSA model is further established and matures, the number of job seekers participating in the Work Experience phase will progressively increase as job seekers complete 12 months in Stream Services and move into the Work Experience phase

Table 1- Streams2 to 4(Job Services Australia) Work Experience Phase

Not Provided (np): indicates sufficient data were not available to produce a reliable estimate.

	Employed full-time (%)	Employed Part-time (%)	Employed total (%)	Unemploy- ed (%)	Not in the Labour Force (%)	Education & training (%)	Positive Outcome (%)	Population (no.)
<i>Age Group (years)</i>								
15 to 20	7.4	24.0	31.3	50.6	15.6	17.6	46.3	8532
21 to 24	9.7	30.6	40.3	39.3	20.3	23.6	58.7	13724
25 to 34	10.2	30.5	40.8	48.1	11.0	14.4	50.4	23940
35 to 49	12.1	32.4	44.4	42.8	12.8	16.3	56.0	42546
50 or more	7.4	29.2	36.6	43.8	19.5	10.6	45.0	32209
<i>Duration of unemployment</i>								
12 to less than 24	np	np	np	np	np	np	np	np
24 to less than 36	10.6	34.6	45.3	40.1	14.7	18.5	58.2	30038
36 or more	9.2	29.0	38.3	45.3	16.4	12.1	47.6	80001
<i>Educational attainment</i>								
Less than Year 10	7.4	23.5	31.0	46.7	22.3	17.4	46.7	34446
Year 10 or 11	9.7	32.6	42.3	45.5	12.2	9.1	48.8	46301
Year 12	13.5	34.3	47.9	41.5	10.6	23.3	63.6	15191
University	11.2	31.3	42.5	47.0	10.5	15.6	53.0	10141
Vocational	9.3	37.7	47.0	33.1	19.9	15.0	56.3	14795
<i>Gender</i>								
Males	12.5	23.3	35.8	51.4	12.8	11.7	44.9	64726
Females	6.8	38.1	44.9	38.0	17.1	17.9	58.0	56225
<i>Equity groups</i>								
Disability	5.3	27.3	32.6	42.7	24.7	12.9	42.7	21796
Indigenous	12.7	19.5	32.2	55.9	11.9	13.6	42.3	28019
CALD	8.8	29.6	38.4	46.0	15.6	23.0	56.9	18926
Sole parents	11.3	41.2	52.5	32.6	14.9	17.6	64.2	12836
<i>Income support type</i>								
NewStart Allowance	9.8	29.6	39.4	45.7	14.9	15.2	51.1	93666
Youth Allowance (other)	8.1	22.6	30.8	52.6	13.9	19.4	46.9	7595
Disability Support Pension	3.8	20.9	24.7	46.5	28.8	16.8	35.4	1564
Parenting Payment Single	11.3	30.1	52.6	32.7	14.7	17.6	64.3	12564
Parenting Payment Partnered	11.4	30.1	41.5	47.9	10.6	19.9	59.4	2405
TOTAL	9.1	30.4	39.5	46.1	14.4	16.2	52.0	130478