Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Additional Estimates 2010-2011

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0934_11

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Refers to previous DEEWR Question No <u>EW0532 11</u>

Question

EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS PLANS

With reference to DEEWR Question No.EW0532_11 from the Oct 2010 Estimates, where you provided the average expenditures from the employment pathway fund for each Stream both prior to and during the work experience phase, disaggregated by broad categories of expenditure (e.g. work experience, training), can you also please provide the total expenditures, disaggregated in the same way.

Answer

The table below contains data from 1 July 2009 thru 31 August 2010 and shows:

- total expenditure of the Employment Pathway Fund (EPF) by Stream and Category; and
- expenditure during the Work Experience Phase (WEPh) by Stream and Category.

	Date	EPF Debits to 31/08/2010*	
Fund Service^	Group of Category Description	Total EPF expenditure	Expenditure during WEPh
Stream 1	Equipment, Tools & Clothing	\$470,335.13	\$8,247.52
	Job Seeker Support, Contact & Mentoring including Remote Services	\$1,316,865.44	\$15,785.17
	Other**	\$1,087,872.01	\$4,224.00
	Pre-employment, Travel & Licensing Assistance	\$440,443.83	\$4,598.63
	Professional Services including Interpreters	\$1,006,922.73	\$5,122.45
	Self Employment & Wage Subsidy	\$391,220.32	\$750.00
	Training, Associated Books & Equipment	\$9,175,833.77	\$51,510.79
	Stream 1 Total	\$13,889,493.23	\$90,238.56
Stream 2	Equipment, Tools & Clothing	\$10,586,423.87	\$65,092.14
	Job Seeker Support, Contact & Mentoring including Remote Services	\$16,862,120.98	\$112,411.63
	Other**	\$4,130,635.70	\$29,158.71
	Pre-employment, Travel & Licensing Assistance	\$8,407,447.56	\$55,353.34
	Professional Services including Interpreters	\$8,489,037.86	\$33,754.82
	Self Employment & Wage Subsidy	\$25,167,281.43	\$49,247.80
	Training, Associated Books & Equipment	\$58,577,092.82	\$455,692.29
	Stream 2 Total	\$132,220,040.22	\$800,710.73
Stream 3 [^]	Equipment, Tools & Clothing	\$9,219,681.36	\$3,281,614.87
	Job Seeker Support, Contact & Mentoring including Remote Services	\$16,801,728.59	\$6,510,345.40
	Other**	\$3,558,634.46	\$1,382,616.11
	Pre-employment, Travel & Licensing Assistance	\$7,303,393.13	\$2,467,979.88
	Professional Services including Interpreters	\$9,091,384.90	\$2,798,114.16
	Self Employment & Wage Subsidy	\$28,618,830.81	\$9,331,198.65
	Training, Associated Books & Equipment	\$47,863,662.53	\$16,357,779.11
	Stream 3 Total	\$122,457,315.78	\$42,129,648.18
Stream 4	Equipment, Tools & Clothing	\$6,309,446.21	\$91,801.52
	Job Seeker Support, Contact & Mentoring including Remote Services	\$8,475,075.86	\$132,292.30
	Other**	\$4,902,333.59	\$64,657.79
	Pre-employment, Travel & Licensing Assistance	\$5,984,935.44	\$71,269.69
	Professional Services including Interpreters	\$17,477,062.88	\$547,347.25
	Self Employment & Wage Subsidy	\$14,315,271.35	\$145,034.27
	Training, Associated Books & Equipment	\$26,212,781.25	\$421,278.30
	Stream 4 Total	\$83,676,906.58	\$1,473,681.12

^{*} EPF Debits – reflects reimbursements and commitments for purchases under EPF (recording a commitment enables a provider to set aside funds for a specific purchase without risk of these funds being drawn down for another purpose i.e. prior to when the purchase can be finalised).

^{**} The category of 'Other' includes miscellaneous EPF Debits categories (for example: Stream 4 Assistance, Short Term Child Care Assistance, Relocation Assistance).

[^] Fund Service – some EPF expenditure is not recorded against individual job seekers and has not been included in the table. This includes Work Experience activities and batch purchases under \$300 (for example a book of bus/train tickets distributed to a number of job seekers over time).