

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 4 - Employment

DEEWR Question No: EW1041_12.

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Refers to previous DEEWR Question No. [EW0372_12](#)

Question

Connections For Communities – Demographic Data

I refer to a response to DEEWR Budget Estimates 2011-12 Question No. [EW0372_12](#). Regarding the data showing a number of the key indicators used to select the areas for place-based income management. Provide a table by each Local Government Area across Australia listing the key indicators shown, such as unemployment rate; annual change in unemployment beneficiaries; proportion of beneficiaries in receipt of payments for 12 months and over, population, etc. listed indicators

Answer

There are 673 Local Government Areas across Australia. The table below shows a number of the key indicators used to select the 10 areas for place-based measures. The data shown are more up-to-date than at the time the areas were selected.

Key indicators for areas identified to receive place-based assistance							
Local Government Area (LGA)	State	Unemployment rate (%) ¹	Proportion of the population (15-64) on income support ²	Annual change in unemployment beneficiaries (%) ³	Proportion of unemployment beneficiaries in receipt of payments for 12 months and over (%) ³	Proportion of the population (15-64) who have attained a Bachelor Degree or above (%) ⁴	Population ⁵
		September Quarter 2011	Nov-11	Nov10 - Nov11	Nov-11	Aug-06	Jun-10
Playford	SA	14.6	28.3	9.1	73.5	4.7	79 850
Burnie	TAS	8.5	22.6	-4.5	72.0	9.0	19 892
Hume	VIC	8.4	17.1	0.0	68.1	10.2	171 997
Wyong	NSW	7.5	19.7	-6.0	71.2	8.6	151 526
Logan	QLD	8.5	16.6	-1.0	64.9	9.5	190 750
Bankstown	NSW	8.6	15.9	-0.2	72.6	14.1	188 767
Kwinana	WA	9.5	15.3	1.8	63.4	6.5	29 029
Greater Shepparton	VIC	8.0	18.8	5.6	69.5	11.8	63 336
Shellharbour	NSW	7.3	15.5	-7.8	72.6	8.5	67 797
Rockhampton	QLD	7.3	15.4	-10.3	68.7	13.4	64 784
Australia		5.1*	12.1**	-1.8	68.4	19.7	22,328,847

(1) Source: DEEWR *Small Area Labour Markets*, September Quarter 2011 (latest available data).

(2): Sources: Centrelink Administrative Data (DEEWR Bluebook extract), ABS Population by Age and Sex, June 2010 (Cat No. 3235.0)

(3) Source: Centrelink Administrative Data (DEEWR Bluebook extract)

(4) Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing 2006

(5) Source: ABS Population by Age and Sex, June 2010 (Cat No. 3235.0)

* Please note that the latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Australia stood at 5.1 per cent in January 2012. The national unemployment rate provided above is a 12-month average, original figure for September 2011, to enable valid comparisons to be made with the data at the LGA level.

** Please also note that the Australian total uses more up-to-date population data and is therefore not strictly comparable with the LGA data provided in the table above.