

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2
Output Group: 2.4 - Funding for higher education

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Senator Nettle asked on 5 June 2003, EWRE Hansard page 482

Question:

Are you aware of any studies the department or others have done to look into these issues [the benefit to the community as a whole from higher education specifically or postsecondary education]?

Answer:

Studies on the benefit to the community as a whole from higher education or postsecondary education

As part of the higher education review process the Review Secretariat considered a range of research into the benefits of higher education to the community, including the following:

- Business/Higher Education Round Table 2000, *Of Dollars and Cents: Valuing the Economic Contribution of Universities to the Australian Economy*.
- Bynner, J. 2001, *The Social Benefits of Higher Education*, Paper presented to European Research Conference, 13-16 September, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs 1999, *Regional Participation in Higher Education and the Distribution of Higher Education Resources across Regions* (Occasional Paper 99/B), Canberra.
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs 2000, *Access: Effect of campus proximity and socio-economic status on university participation rates in regions* (Occasional Paper 00/D), Canberra.
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs 2000, *Engaging Universities and Regions: Knowledge contribution to regional economic development in Australia* (EIP 00/15), Canberra.
- Department of Education, Training and Youth Affairs 2001, *Atlas of Australian Higher Education: A community focus* (Occasional Paper 01/A), Canberra.