

## EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

### SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

**Outcome:** 2

**Output Group:** 2.1 Vocational Education and Training

#### **DEST Question No. E267\_05**

Senator Carr asked on 3 June 2004, EWRE Hansard page 25.

#### **Question:**

Has there been any evaluation of whether or not it is cheaper to do the research work required in-house and maintain the quality.

#### **Answer:**

*Cost effectiveness of keeping all research work in-house.*

*ANTA has provided the following response:*

ANTA needs to remain fully informed and aware of Australia's current and future training requirements and skill needs. This information and data is collected from many and varied sources from within the VET sector, industry and communities throughout Australia and internationally.

ANTA does have a number of highly skilled and experienced researchers on staff whom provide valuable information to assist ANTA's work. However, much of the research required is often best acquired by sources working within the VET sector or relevant industry or community as they have established infrastructure and networks that enable them to collect good quality information and data quickly.