

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
31 MAY AND 1 JUNE 2004**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: An effectively functioning labour market

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Outputs 1.2.3: Indigenous Employment Programme

Question Number: W098-05

Question:

Senator Crossin asked in writing:

How many Indigenous participants have been on STEP and do you have data to show how many have gone on to employment, with a breakdown between proper full time employment and CDEP funded positions?

Answer:

Since its introduction in July 1999, 23,401 Indigenous job seekers have commenced in STEP up to the end of June 2004. The Department's Post Placement Monitoring data estimate that of those who had obtained an outcome by March 2004, 53.6% were employed three months after leaving assistance and a further 10.6% were participating in a CDEP activity three months after leaving assistance.