EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome:2Output Group:2.1 – Funding for vocational education and training

DEST Question No. E144_07

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

A graph is provided at p. 10 of the document "Budget Information 2006 at a Glance – DEST" which purports to show VTE expenditure for the period 2000-01 to 2006-07.

- a) What is the exact total of VTE expenditure depicted in the graph for each year?
- b) Which programs are included in this calculation?
- c) What is the level of expenditure for each of these programs for each year?
- d) Are departmental appropriations included?
- e) If so, what is the level of expenditure for this in each year?

Answer:

Vocational and Technical Education 'Budget At A Glance - DEST'

a)

2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
\$000s						
1,503,000	1,657,000	1,814,000	1,956,000	2,180,561	2,325,497	2,552,380

b) The 2000-01 to 2004-05 figures are derived from Expenses by Function and Subfunction data as presented in Appendix B of the Final Budget Outcome (FBO) Paper for each relevant year. The 2005-06 and 2006-07 data was based on the Department's contribution to these functions. The table provided on the following page shows the functions/programmes used to derive the figures.

c) Please see table over page.

d) Departmental expenditures are included.

e) The Departmental contribution for 2005-06 and 2006-07 has been included in the table. FBO documents, the source of previous year data, do not provide a breakdown of the Administered and Departmental contributions.

	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07
	\$000s						
Vocational and Other Education	1,103,000	1,217,000	1,323,000	1,332,000	1,444,000	-	-
Careers, Transitions and Partnerships						77,325	98,757
Skilling Australia's Workforce						1,242,132	1,269,776
Vocational and Technical Training –						33,900	40,524
National Programmes							
National Centre for Vocational Education Research Ltd						589	602
Workplace English Language and Literacy						14,259	14,502
Basic IT Enabling Skills for Older Workers						5,750	0
Disability Co-ordination Officers						1,304	2,176
Vocational and Industry Training	400,000	440,000	491,000	624,000	610,000	-	-
Support for Australian Apprenticeships						567,974	615,350
Australian Apprenticeship Workforce						37,467	80,876
Skills Development							
Australian Apprenticeship Access programme						15,882	27,587
Training Projects						655	1,574
Labour Market Assistance to Jobseekers and Industry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australian Apprenticeship Centres					126,561	130,826	156,771
Career Planning						3,319	3,701
Language, Literacy and Numeracy						49,741	56,073
Assessment Fee Subsidy for Overseas Trained Australian Residents						701	713
Australian Technical Colleges						39,786	65,991
Youth Allowance for Australian Apprentices						10,443	23,545
DEST Departmental Allocation						93,444	93,862
TOTAL	1,503,000	1,657,000	1,814,000	1,956,000	2,180,561	2,325,497	2,552,380