

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.2 – Assistance for individuals including those with special needs

DEST Question No. E304_07

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Refers to DEST Question E993_06.

Question:

English as a Second Language (New Arrivals)

1. Please provide final figures for 2005 and any updated data for 2006 under the New Arrivals program, in the following categories

- a) Student enrolments
 - i. By States and Territories and by Government, Catholic and Independent schools
 - ii. By region/location
 - iii. By age/school level
 - iv. By county of origin
 - v. Temporary visa holders, by category, e.g.
 - I. Skilled temporary migrants
 - II. Refugee
 - III. Humanitarian
 - IV. Other
 - vi. Permanent migrants by category, e.g.
 - vii. Skilled migration stream
 - viii. Refugee and humanitarian stream
 - ix. Special eligibility migrants
 - x. Other
- b) Funding

Please provide data for 2005 and 2006 on the total funding provided, under the same categories as set out above for students.
(Note: this extends the Department's answer to QoN E993_06)

Answer:

English as a Second Language – New Arrivals (ESL-NA) Programme

1. (a) Student enrolments for 2005
 - i. by States and Territories and by Government, Catholic and Independent schools – see Table A
 - ii. by region/location – this information is not held by the Department of Education, Science and Training (DEST)
 - iii. by age/school level – no data is held by DEST in relation to the age of students funded by the ESL-NA Programme. For information about school level see Table B
 - iv. by country of origin – this information is not held by DEST

- v. temporary visa holders by category see Table C
 - i. skilled temporary migrants
 - ii. refugee
 - iii. humanitarian
 - iv. other
- vi. permanent migrants by category see Table C
 - i. skilled migration stream
 - ii. refugee and humanitarian stream
 - iii. special eligibility migrants
 - iv. other

Please note: Numbers of eligible enrolments for 2006 are not available at this time.

(b) In 2005 funding for each eligible student was \$5,039. The initial 2006 funding for each eligible student is \$5,039.

TABLE A: ESL-NA eligible enrolments by state and sector, 2005

Sector	Government	Catholic	Independent	Total
NSW	4338	361	37	4736
VIC	2949	312	35	3296
QLD	1370	122	37	1529
SA	1092	21	10	1123
WA	896	66	90	1052
TAS	200	14	11	225
NT	113	0	1	114
ACT	131	1	0	132
Total	11089	897	221	12207

TABLE B: ESL-NA eligible enrolments by school level, 2005

School level			
	Primary	Secondary	Total
Student Enrolments	7549	4658	12207

Table C: ESL-NA eligible enrolments by entry status, 2005

Temporary*	Enrolments
I. Migration Programme - skilled	398
II. and III. Refugee and Humanitarian	57
IV. Other	0
Subtotal	455
* Temporary refers either to temporary humanitarian entrants or non-humanitarian entrants on provisional visas that lead to permanency once specific migration criteria have been met.	
Permanent	
I. Migration Programme - skilled	2862
II. Refugee and Humanitarian	5448
III. Migration Programme - special eligibility	12
IV. Other	3430
Subtotal	11752
Total	12207