

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

**2006-2007 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
29TH AND 30TH MAY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.2: Labour market strategies

Output 3.2.1: Labour market analysis

Question Number: W052-07

Question:

Senator Carr asked in writing:

DIMA has said (Legal and Constitutional Committee Hansard 22/5/06 p.34) that it seeks advice from DEWR about the appropriate ratio of apprentices in training to employees in Australian companies. Can you provide details of the Department's assessment of the appropriate ratios in this area, by industry and by any other relevant factor?

Answer:

DEWR does not routinely provide DIMA with information on apprentice ratios in training to employees in Australian companies.