SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

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

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.1: Working age policy

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Question Number: W077-07

Question:

Senator Wong asked in writing:

How many people will enter the new compliance regime with one or two activity test breaches (by NSA and YA)?

Answer:

As at end May 2006 the following number of job seekers had incurred at least one or two activity test breaches that could count as participation failures after 1 July 2006.

- there were 43,385 job seekers with at least one activity test breach that will count as a participation failure after 1 July 2006;
- of these, 7,245 job seekers had two or more activity test breaches that will count as a participation failure after 1 July 2006;

Separate numbers are not available for Youth Allowance and Newstart Allowance.