

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

**2007-2008 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
28 AND 29 MAY 2007**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery

Output 1.2.5: Employment preparation services

Question Number: W189-08

Question:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 121: Personal Support Programme. Can the department provide an update to W1124-07?

Answer:

The attached table provides an update on the number of people waiting for a Personal Support Programme place by Employment Services Area, including those who have been coded in the system awaiting referral by priority level up to and including the end of March 2007.

Estimated cost: Using the FOI calculator, to prepare this answer it has taken approximately 1 hour at an estimated cost of \$20.00.

Attachment A

People waiting for Personal Support Programme services by ESA and Priority Level as at end March 07

State	Employment Service Area	People waiting for a place at end March 2007	PSP waitlist (currently coded in the system and awaiting referral)	Priority Level (a)				
				N/A (b)	1	2	3	4
ACT	Australian Capital Territory	331	190		14	92	73	11
NSW	Northern Beaches Sydney	128	77		5	28	41	3
NSW	Blue Mountains	60	26		4	10	9	3
NSW	Canterbury/Bankstown	639	405		2	11	270	122
NSW	Central Coast Sydney	362	215		15	137	57	6
NSW	Central Eastern NSW	57	22		8	5	6	3
NSW	Central West Sydney	773	347		3	166	158	20
NSW	Central Murrumbidgee	62	37	1	4	20	9	3
NSW	North Coast Hunter	195	111		4	4	79	24
NSW	Coffs Harbour	144	90		2	14	65	9
NSW	Central Western NSW	78	51	1	5	6	38	1
NSW	Eurobodalla	57	36		2	17	15	2
NSW	Fairfield/Liverpool	670	400	1		9	280	110
NSW	Far West NSW	25	25	1	1	4	15	4
NSW	Grafton	51	38		1	1	28	8
NSW	Gwydir Namoi	32	7	1	2	1	2	1
NSW	Hastings	128	72		2	57	11	2
NSW	Hume	29	19		2	10	6	1
NSW	Hunter	106	41		11	16	13	1
NSW	Hawkesbury	39	28		2	4	21	1
NSW	Inner City/Eastern Suburbs Sydney	672	388		34	175	157	22
NSW	Inner West Sydney	415	268		10	51	175	32
NSW	Kempsey	105	71		4	37	28	2
NSW	Keepit	24	8		1	5	1	1
NSW	Lower Hunter	491	265		25	128	81	31
NSW	Lower South Coast NSW	16	15			3	11	1
NSW	Macarthur	210	151		2	6	117	26
NSW	Murray Darling	11	2				2	
NSW	North East NSW	46	49		7	28	11	3
NSW	Orana	35	30			14	12	4
NSW	Outer West Sydney	775	431	2	14	232	159	24
NSW	Oxley	2	2			2		
NSW	Patterson	194	138		9	38	79	12
NSW	Parkes	72	48			18	22	8
NSW	Queanbeyan	38	22		1	6	11	4
NSW	Richmond	235	153	1	6	5	124	17
NSW	Shoalhaven	176	114	1	10	24	71	8
NSW	North Shore Sydney	174	82		3	29	41	9
NSW	Snowy	0	2				2	
NSW	Southern Highlands NSW	26	11		1	3	5	2
NSW	Southern Suburbs NSW	116	70		1	7	59	3
NSW	Southern Tablelands NSW	86	60		5	25	28	2
NSW	St George/Sutherland	522	309	1	16	108	166	18
NSW	Sturt	24	22		3	4	14	1
NSW	Taree	118	61		3	6	46	6
NSW	Tweed	228	98		7	15	60	16
NSW	Upper Hunter	16	3		1		1	1
NSW	Wollongong	785	488		9	110	339	30

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NT	Alice Springs	124	56		6	8	35	7
NT	Darwin	351	206		18	15	155	18
NT	Katherine	69	37	1	1	16	17	2
NT	Tennant Creek	12	11	1	1	2	7	
NT	Top End	72	81		12	19	50	
QLD	Bundaberg	67	46		2	4	35	5
QLD	Cairns	267	234		6	107	108	13
QLD	Western Downs	46	22	1	2	2	15	2
QLD	Emerald	19	15		3	7	5	
QLD	Fraser Coast	114	54		18	10	19	7
QLD	Gold Coast	767	380	1	6	111	223	39
QLD	Gladstone	63	36		2	1	28	5
QLD	Gympie	176	93		13	24	49	7
QLD	Ipswich	379	215		4	50	140	21
QLD	Logan	438	196		6	113	67	10
QLD	Mackay	80	50			6	39	5
QLD	Mt Isa	12	4		1	1	2	
QLD	North Brisbane	380	244		21	43	162	18
QLD	Redcliffe Caboolture	525	329		10	32	271	16
QLD	Rockhampton	128	109		4	42	56	7
QLD	South East Brisbane	351	174		4	128	38	4
QLD	Sunshine Coast	250	143	1	5	18	105	14
QLD	South West Brisbane	232	139		9	74	49	7
QLD	Tablelands	42	44		1	30	12	1
QLD	Townsville	235	226		2	79	123	22
QLD	Torres Strait	1	2		1	1		
QLD	Toowoomba	228	149		4	79	60	6
QLD	Warwick	102	53	1	8	4	34	6
SA	Southern Adelaide	109	60		4	1	53	2
SA	Adelaide Metropolitan	464	278		13	31	213	21
SA	Ceduna	9	0					
SA	Fleurieu/Kangaroo Island	35	28		2	2	22	2
SA	Gawler	92	30			5	25	
SA	Kadina	30	13		1		10	2
SA	Murraylands	37	28			2	25	1
SA	North Eastern Adelaide	147	69		1	4	58	6
SA	Northern Adelaide	318	230			13	210	7
SA	North Western Adelaide	201	153		3	22	118	10
SA	Port Augusta	17	12			1	11	
SA	Port Lincoln	19	10		2	1	7	
SA	Port Pirie	63	37			1	29	7
SA	Riverland	73	53			24	26	3
SA	Southern Adelaide Hills	3	3		1	1		1
SA	South East SA	34	12		4		7	1
SA	South West Adelaide	195	77	1	1	9	62	4
SA	Whyalla	22	5		2	1	2	
TAS	Hobart	293	152		2	22	123	5
TAS	Launceston	245	137		3	75	53	6
TAS	West and North West Tasmania	70	67		2	4	58	3

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VIC	Bendigo	101	64			50	11	3
VIC	East Gippsland	110	41		1	15	22	3
VIC	East Melbourne	421	284		6	222	50	6
VIC	Eureka	218	117			3	101	13
VIC	Geelong	275	161		7	63	80	11
VIC	Goulburn Valley	164	94			94		
VIC	Grampians	90	50		3	19	24	4
VIC	Hampden	83	44			37	6	1
VIC	Inner East Melbourne	828	439	1	3	383	42	10
VIC	Kiewa	31	29		1	13	14	1
VIC	Mid Murray	30	17			1	14	2
VIC	North Melbourne	243	211		7	114	80	10
VIC	North West Melbourne	858	516		7	410	89	10
VIC	Ovens	67	39		2	3	30	4
VIC	Peninsula Melbourne	242	131		4	30	86	11
VIC	South East Melbourne	475	303		4	133	153	13
VIC	South Melbourne	518	318		2	265	51	
VIC	Sunraysia	67	49			47	2	
VIC	South West Melbourne	305	155		6	18	116	15
VIC	Western District Victoria	34	12		2	1	8	1
VIC	West and South Gippsland	127	43		3	14	22	4
VIC	West Melbourne	262	147		3	18	114	12
WA	Dale	44	40		1	7	32	
WA	Esperance	27	19		1	2	15	1
WA	Goldfields	52	31			27	3	1
WA	Kwinana/Rockingham	122	117		1	56	54	6
WA	Lower Great Southern WA	24	18		1	2	15	
WA	Midlands/Wheatbelt	34	23			13	8	2
WA	Central Perth	351	231		1	100	122	8
WA	East Metro Perth	373	220		1	187	28	4
WA	East Kimberley	4	4		1		2	1
WA	East Pilbara	8	1			1		
WA	Karratha	1	0					
WA	Mid West and Gascoyne	22	19			4	14	1
WA	North Metro Perth	323	188		1	74	102	11
WA	South East Metro Perth	219	125			7	108	10
WA	South West WA	108	59			14	45	
WA	South West Metro Perth	109	85		2	19	59	5
WA	West Kimberley	144	2				2	
TOTAL		25098	14846	18	543	5402	7758	1125
				0.1%	3.6%	36.4%	52.3%	7.6%

(a) *Definition of Priority Levels:*

Priority One – Current participants who are to recommence in PSP, including those who have relocated.

Priority Two – People with the highest priority for referral to PSP.

Priority Three – People on allowances with activity test/participation requirements.

Priority Four – People on non-activity tested allowances, and other voluntary participants.

(b) *At the time the data on the waitlist was captured some participants did not have a priority level set (less than one per cent). These participants are identified in the first column under the PSP Priority Level for referral heading.*