## **EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

## SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2008-09 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome All

**DEEWR Question No. EW167\_09** 

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

## Question

Departmental Staffing

How many staff are being cut from the Department in each program area as a result of the budget?

## **Answer**

The following changes in Average Staff Level (ASL) between 2007-08 and 2008-09 by Outcome are provided below.

Outcome	2007-08	2008-09	Difference
	ASL	ASL	
1: Early Childhood Education and Child Care <sup>1</sup>	82	356	274
2: School Education	960	846	-114
3: Higher Education	194	184	-10
4: Vocational Education and Training	508	484	-24
5: Transitions and Youth <sup>1</sup>	190	228	38
6: International Influence	200	190	-10
7: Labour Market Assistance	1,995	1,994	-1
8: Workforce Participation <sup>1</sup>	544	396	-148
9: More productive and safer workplaces	628	598	-30
Department of Innovation, Industry, Science	187		-187
and Research s30 transfer <sup>1</sup>			
Total	5,490	5,277	-213

<sup>1.</sup> ASL variations between 2007-08 and 2008-09 reflect the part year effect of the Machinery of Government changes.

The material variation in the ASL that is not related to the Machinery of Government changes is in Outcome 2 and reflects programs to be rationalised or ceased as a result of the Government's Responsible Economic Management budget measures such as:

- Australian Technical Colleges rationalisation
- National Literacy and Numeracy Vouchers Program
- Core Curricula Standards Program
- Rewarding Schools for Improvements in Literacy and Numeracy Outcomes Program
- Summer Schools for Teachers Program

and the continued wind down of the Investing in Our Schools Program which began prior to the election of the government.