

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 8

DEEWR Question No. EW207_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

Skills and Occupations in Demand

Is it expected that significant costs for the 37,500 place increase to the migration program for 2008-09 will continue after 2011-12?

Answer

The longer-term cost to DEEWR associated with the 37,500 place increase to the migration program will depend on the unemployment rate, workforce participation and skill profile of this cohort.