

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

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

Outcome 7

DEEWR Question No. EW283_09

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

- i.) How many Job Placement Licence Only organisations are there at the moment?
- ii.) What are the predicted savings for the Department from cancelling this contract?
- iii.) How is it intended that the role of these providers will be absorbed by other Employment Service providers?
- iv.) Has any modelling been done to consider how cancelling the JPLO contract will impact on the servicing of job seekers?
- v.) How many job seekers have been placed by Job Placement Licence Only organisations in the last financial year?
- vi.) How many of these were dual or multiple placements?
- vii.) How many of these job seekers were eligible for Job Network servicing?

Answer

- i.) 294 (as at 2 July 2008).
- ii.) Savings can not be identified against any one or two particular services within the Job Network contract.
- iii.) All Employment Service Providers under the new employment services system will, on their own or in partnership or in other forms of contractual relationship with other providers (which may include former Job Placement Licensed Only organisations), be required to provide assistance to job seekers to find employment and/or access training opportunities.
- iv.) The only service provided to job seekers by JPLOs is job matching. This service will continue to be provided by the new employment services system.
- v.) For the financial year to 27 June 2008, 106 161 job placements have been made by Job Placement Licence Only organisations.
- vi.) The department does not track dual or multiple placements, but has stringent outcome payment rules. A claim for a job placement for the same job seeker by the same provider cannot be made more than four times in any 12 month period. For the financial year to 27 June 2008, 76 150 paid placements were made (excludes bonus payments) to Job Placement Licence Only organisations.
- vii.) All job seekers (both Fully Job Network Eligible and Job Search Support Only) were eligible for Job Network Servicing.