

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

**Outcome**            2

**DEEWR Question No. EW0080\_10**

Senator Payne provided in writing.

**Question**

*Australian Youth Forum – Email Database*

- a) Is there an email database associated with the website?
- b) How many young people are on this database?
- c) Are people asked to provide their age?
- d) Can you provide details of where these people are from eg: numbers by State, postcode etc?

**Answer**

a) Yes, there is an Australian Youth Forum (AYF) email contact database maintained by the department, although it is not currently directly linked with the AYF website. Individuals who attend activities where the AYF is being promoted may volunteer to have their email addresses added to the email contact list, if they wish to receive information about future AYF activities and events.

b) As at 24 June 2009, there are email address details for 1139 people entered on the email contact database. A significant proportion of these will be young people between the ages of 15 and 24 years, as they have been participants at youth focused AYF events and have volunteered their email address details.

c) The age of individuals who have their email details on the AYF email contact database is not always available. Individuals who participate in AYF events are asked to indicate an age category (15-17, 18-20, 21-22, 23-24) on the registration form, but this information is not always provided.

d) No. While some geographical location information is attached to some contact records, the information recorded is not a reliable basis for analysis at this time.