

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

Outcome 3 - Higher Education

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Senator Payne asked on 2/06/2010, Hansard page 30.

Question

UNIVERSITY PLACEMENTS OF EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHERS

Ms Hosking—Currently 1,280 places have been allocated. The other places coming up to 1,500 are still in the process of being allocated at the moment. Of those, 430 have been allocated in New South Wales, 320 in Victoria, 195 in Queensland, 125 in WA, 105 in South Australia, 25 in the ACT, and 80 in the Northern Territory. Mr Cook—That information, particularly the 2009 information broken down by university, is available on our website. Senator PAYNE—What proportion of those are regional versus metropolitan universities? Ms Hosking—I think we would have to take that question on notice.

Answer

Details of the allocations for 2009, 2010 and 2011 are available on the Department's website at:
<http://www.deewr.gov.au/HigherEducation/Policy/Pages/CommSupportHEPlaces.aspx>

Universities can have both regional and metropolitan campuses. The proportion of places has been provided by campus, not university.

Table A shows the number and percentage of places allocated to regional campuses for the 2009, 2010 and 2011 allocations of early childhood education places.

Table B shows the higher education provider, campus and number of places allocated to regional campuses for the 2009, 2010 and 2011 allocations of early childhood education places.

Table A

Allocation of Commonwealth supported early childhood education places: 2009, 2010, 2011*	2009	2010	2011
Total number of places allocated	500	500	280
Number of places allocated to regional campuses	150	125	90
Percentage of places allocated to regional campuses	30%	25%	32%
Number of places allocated to non-regional campuses	350	375	190
Percentage of places allocated to non-regional campuses	70%	75%	68%
* as at 18 June 2010			

Table B

Commonwealth supported early childhood education places allocated to regional campuses: 2009, 2010, 2011*			
State	Institution	Campus	Number of places allocated
2009 Early Childhood Education Places (500)			
NSW	Charles Sturt University	Bathurst/Distance Education	35
	Charles Sturt University Total		35
	Southern Cross University	Lismore	25
	Southern Cross University Total		25
	University of Wollongong	Wollongong	35
	University of Wollongong Total		35
NSW Total			95
NT	Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education	Batchelor	15
	Batchelor Institute of Indigenous Tertiary Education Total		15
	Charles Darwin University	Casuarina/Alice Springs/ Flexible	10
		Casuarina/Alice Springs/Flexible	5
	Charles Darwin University Total		15
NT Total			30
VIC	Deakin University	Geelong Campus at Waurn Ponds	5
	Deakin University Total		5
	University of Ballarat	Mt Helen	20
	University of Ballarat Total		20
VIC Total			25
2009 Early Childhood Education Places (500)			150
2010 Early Childhood Education Places (500)			
NSW	Charles Sturt University	Albury	8
		Bathurst	23
		Dubbo	4
	Charles Sturt University Total		35
	University of Wollongong	Wollongong	30
	University of Wollongong Total		30
NSW Total			65
NT	Charles Darwin University	Casuarina	50
	Charles Darwin University Total		50
NT Total			50
VIC	Deakin University	Geelong Campus at Waurn Ponds	10
	Deakin University Total		10
VIC Total			10
2010 Early Childhood Education Places (500) Total			125
2011 Early Childhood Education Places (280)			
QLD	University of the Sunshine Coast	Sippy Downs	60
	University of the Sunshine Coast Total		60
QLD Total			60
VIC	La Trobe University	Bendigo	30
	La Trobe University Total		30
VIC Total			30
2011 Early Childhood Education Places (280)			90
National Total for 2009, 2010 and 2011			365

* as at 28 June 2010