

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 3 - Higher Education

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Senator Nash asked on 1/06/2011, Hansard page 30.

Question

Completion Rate Of VET Qualifications

Ms Sakkara: There is a recent NCVET report on completing VET qualifications that has come out. It shows that the completion rates vary; they are around 27 per cent nationally and range from 17 per cent for certificate I to 33 per cent for certificate III and diploma courses.

Senator NASH: How does that compare to previous years? I am happy for you to take that on notice.

Answer

The estimated completion rate of Australian Qualification Framework (AQF) qualifications in publicly funded VET by year of commencement, sourced from the National Centre for Vocational Education and Research publication "*The likelihood of completing a VET qualification*", published 26 May 2011, are:

AQF Qualification	2005 %	2006 %	2007 %
Diploma & above	28.7	32.4	32.6
Certificate IV	31.8	30.2	31.4
Certificate III	33.6	32.1	32.5
Certificate II	23.4	20.8	21.2
Certificate I	13.6	16.3	17.2
Total	27.2	26.6	27.2