

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

Outcome 1 – Early Childhood, Working Age and Indigenous Participation

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Senator Scullion asked on 29 May 2012 , Hansard page 9

Question

Australian Employment Covenant

Senator SCULLION: Would your department have a list of those jobs? There are 64,000 jobs. It would not just be a job. It would be a giraffe farmer or bulldozer driver— Ms Paul: 64,000 jobs where? Senator SCULLION: Within the Australian Employment Covenant. Ms Paul: We can tell you, on notice, which employers have promised those jobs. Those jobs are the commitments; they are not the delivered jobs. They are the promised jobs through the covenant. Yes, we do have a list from the AEC. Senator SCULLION: It would be useful if you could provide those positions. I will finish up. I will put the rest of my questions on notice.

Answer

The Australian Employment Covenant's most recent report to the Department on the number of job commitments made by employers that have signed the Covenant is 61,765 as at February 2012. A list of those employers and commitments by the state or territory in which they are headquartered is at [Attachment A](#).

Most of these job commitments are not ready to be filled right now, but are part of some companies' forward hiring plans for the coming years.

The Department's contract with the AEC expired on 31 March 2012.