

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

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

Outcome 3 – Employment

DEEWR Question No. EW0217_13

Senator Cash asked on 29 May 2012, Hansard page 11

Question

breakdown between programs and employment services

Senator CASH: In terms of the breakdown between programs and employment services, can you provide that? Ms Parker: I do not think we have that with us. Mr Parsons: No. Ms Parker: Senator, we may need to take that on notice. We have many programs—work experience and so on—so we would need to break it down, I think.

Answer

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations (the Department) currently manages employment services contracts at both a service and organisation level. Other than the estimate of contract management staff allocated to Job Services Australia (185) and Disability Employment Services (96) as at February 2012, and as quoted during Budget Estimates 2012-13 hearing of 29 May 2012, the Department confirms it cannot provide additional information on a breakdown of staff in the state network between programs and employment services.

At any point in time, the number of staff attributed to a service varies as contract management staff are expected to administer a mix of employment service contracts dependent on relative demand, noting there are organisations that deliver more than one service.