

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.5 - Assistance for post school students including those with special needs

DEST Question No. E495_04

Senator Crossin asked on 5 November 2003, EWRE Hansard page 103-104

Question:

What are the completion rate statistics for Indigenous students in teaching degrees?

Answer:

Completion rates for Indigenous students in teacher education courses

The Higher Education Student Collection does not publish completion *rates* for higher education courses. The *number* of award course completions is collected. Table 1 details national award course completions for Indigenous students enrolled in teacher education courses between 1995 and 2002:

Table 1:

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
Number of course completions	218	260	207	199	163	164	172	213

Source: 1995-2002 Higher Education Statistics Collection, DEST.

Since 2000, there has been a 30 per cent increase in the number of Indigenous teacher education award course completions.