

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.1 – Funding for vocational education and training

DEST Question No. E380_05

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Please update Question E070-05 to include the increase in Commonwealth funding between 1997 and 2004 including:

- (i) the Commonwealth increase in recurrent funding/revenue only between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?
- (ii) the State and Territory increase in recurrent funding/revenue only between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?
- (iii) the State and Territory increase on a state by state basis, increase in recurrent funding/revenue only between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?
- (iv) the Commonwealth increase in total funding between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?
- (v) the State and Territory increase in total funding between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?
- (vi) the State and Territory on a state by state basis, increase in total funding between 1997 and 2004? What is the percentage increase over this period?

Answer:

Funding for vocational education and training through ANTA 1997-2004

- (i) The allocation of the Commonwealth's ANTA Agreement funds to recurrent and capital is recommended by the ANTA Board and approved by the ANTA Ministerial Council. The amount approved for capital purposes (mainly TAFE infrastructure) was \$185 million each year over the period 1997 to 2004. The increase in funding allocated by ANTA to recurrent purposes over this period was \$221.7 million. This is an increase of 30.6% over the level for 1997.
- (ii) and (iii) Financial information by State and Territory for 2004 is not available. It is expected this will be published by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER) late in 2005.
- (iv) The increase in funding between 1997 and 2004 under the Vocational Education and Training Funding Act, for the purposes of the ANTA Agreement, was \$221.7 million. This is an increase of 24.4% over the funding level for 1997.
- (v) and (vi) Financial information by State and Territory for 2004 is not available. It is expected this will be published by the National Centre for Vocational Education Research (NCVER) late in 2005.