EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 – New Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E799_06 - Final

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

Does DEST, through the National Training Information Service, their departmental information management systems, or any other means, collect data on the prevalence of specific units of competency within New Apprenticeships?

For example, how many New Apprenticeships were (i) registered; (ii) attracted employer incentives that contained unit of competency:

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If not, is there any mechanism for DEST to determine how many New Apprenticeships contained specific units of competency?

Answer:

Units of competency within New Apprenticeships

No, this information is held at a State level as the units of competency undertaken by a New Apprentice within a qualification are not recorded on the Apprenticeship/Traineeship Training Contract which is completed by the employer and New Apprentice at the beginning of a New Apprenticeship. These usually form part of a training plan, depending upon the requirements of each State/Territory Training Authority (STA), which is customised by the employer and New Apprentice. This remains separate and additional to the Apprenticeship/Traineeship Training Contract.