

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

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

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.1 – Funding for vocational education and training.

DEST Question No. E812_06 – Final

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

The Department of Employment and Workplace Relations is currently conducting a review of the National Skill Shortage List research.

Is DEST participating in the review?

Is DEST satisfied with the validity and reliability of the National Skill Shortage List?

When is the review due to be complete?

Answer

National Skills Shortage List

The Department of Employment and Workplace Relations has conducted a review of the Migration Occupations in Demand list (MODL) which includes the National Skill Shortage List.

The MODL reflects DEWR's "skills in demand" research program which was developed in consultation with a number of departments (including the Departments of Immigration, Multicultural and Indigenous Affairs (DIMIA) and Education, Science and Training (DEST)). All Departments agreed with the "skills in demand" research program.

The review has now been completed and DEST is satisfied with the outcome.