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

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.4 – Funding for higher education

DEST Question No. E818_06 - Final

Senator Wong asked on 2 November 2005, EWRE Hansard pages 95 and 96.

Question:

In terms of the 2006 applications, has there been a drop? Have you looked at any data there? Have you inquired of the universities what the state of applications is?

Answer:

Applications to undergraduate university places for 2006.

According to figures published by the AVCC in their *Report on Applications for Undergraduate University Courses*, eligible applicants for undergraduate university places in 2006 fell by 1% compared to 2005. While this figure is below the peak number in 2003, the level for 2000 is comparable to numbers in the period prior to that.