

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2005-2006 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
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**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation**

**Output Group 3.1: Working age policy**

**Output 3.1.2: Research and evaluation**

**Question Number: W501-06**

Senator Wong asked in writing:

Could you please provide details of the research and analysis carried out as part of the Australians Working Together (AWT) evaluation as well as copies of reports for the following groups:

- parents,
- people with a disability,
- mature age job seekers and
- Indigenous Australians

Please provide details of specific findings and copies of reports in relation to the following components of the AWT evaluation:

- Personal Advisers and clients (longitudinal surveys and qualitative research);
- Personal Support Programme (staff focus groups, surveys and participant interviews);
- Service System Study (qualitative study of the service delivery systems operating in the community and at the state and territory and federal levels);
- Community attitudes (survey);
- Activity requirements for Parenting Payment customers on their children aged 13–15 years (customer survey on the initiative and an evaluation of the impact);
- Effects of AWT on dependent children.

**Answer:**

The report of the evaluation of the Australian Working Together measures was publicly released in November 2005. The report assesses the impact of AWT measures on parents, people with a disability, mature age job seekers and Indigenous Australians.

To date the Government has publicly released the Customer and Community Attitudes to Working Age Participation Requirement Survey report. It is available on the department's website.

The release of the other AWT reports is a matter for the Government.