

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.1 – Funding for Vocational Education and Training

DEST Question No. E625_07

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

NCVER was commissioned to develop three tiers of qualifications according to cost – high, medium and low, to take effect from 1 January 2006. What qualifications are in each cost group? What percentage of total funded activity occurs in each cost tier?

Answer:

Qualifications According to Cost

(a) What qualifications are in each cost group?

See Attachment A

(b) What percentage of funded activity occurs in each cost tier?

Using the tiers, and student hours in 2005 as published by NCVER: approximately 20% of activity was in higher cost areas; 8% was in medium-to-high cost areas, 24% was in medium cost areas; and 48% was in low cost areas nationally.

Developing cost relativities for VET plan bilateral negotiations - high to low bands	
Industry area	rating:
Automotive	High
Utilities	High
Engineering & mining:	High
Transport & storage	High
Building & construction:	High
TCF & furnishings	Medium/High
Process Manufacturing	Medium/High
Food processing	Medium/High
Primary industry	Medium/High
Tourism & hospitality	Medium
Communications:	Medium
Science, technical & other	Medium
Arts, entertainment, sports & recreation:	Medium
Sales & personal service:	Medium
Floristry	Medium
Personal services	Medium
Sales & personal service:	Low
Communications	Low
Wholesale & retail	Low
Community services, health & education:	Low
Community services	Low
Health	Medium/High
Public safety and order	Medium/High
General education & training:	Low
Computing	Low
Business & clerical:	Low
Finance, banking & insurance:	Low