

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

**2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2006**

**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance**

**Output Group 1.2: Labour market programme management and delivery**

**Output 1.2.2: Employment services**

**Question Number: W987-07**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 95:

For the 2003-04 and 2004-05 financial years, can the department provide an analysis of number, service, job placements at the 13 week and 26 week points?

**Answer:**

The number of Job Network (JN) commencements and the number of total job placements, and the number of 13 and 26 week outcomes are provided in Table 1. The job placements quoted are all job placements recorded in the Department's administrative data system. Long term (13 week) jobs are achieved for disadvantaged job seekers and those unemployed for more than three months.

**Table 1 Number of JN commencements, placements and outcomes**

<b>Performance</b>	<b>2003 – 04</b>	<b>2004 – 05</b>	<b>2005 - 06</b>
JN commencements	914 070	516 284	540 351
Total Job Placements	517 992	665 472	638 212
Long Term (13 week) jobs	102 805	186 354	183 502
Long Term (26 week) jobs	38 206	75 586	79 859

Data extracted from DEWR administrative systems on 27 October 2006

At the Senate Estimates Hearing, the number of JN commencements for 2005 – 06 was given as 1 984 288. This number refers to the total commencements of all job seekers in all phases of the Active Participation Model and a job seeker could be included several times in this total figure. For example, a job seeker would be counted when they commence in Job Search Support phase, Intensive Support phase and Intensive Support customised assistance.

The numbers provided in the table above are a single count of job seekers when they commence in Job Network for the first time. The data in 2003 – 04 is higher than subsequent years because of the start-up of the Active Participation Model and the need to commence all job seekers in the new continuum of service.