

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Senator Cash provided in writing.

Question

Securing Australian Apprenticeships – Out of Trade Australian Apprentices

How many employers have accessed the Securing Apprenticeships initiative? How many out of trade apprentices have benefited from this initiative?

Answer

As at 5 November 2009, around 16,000 employers have received payments under the Securing Australian Apprenticeships initiative, which includes recommencement for out of trade apprentices and completion bonuses.

As at 5 November 2009, around 14,000 out of trade Australian Apprentices have recommenced their training.