

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2010-2011**

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0406_11

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

DEN AND VRS

How big a difference from numbers serviced under DEN and VRS previously?

Answer

As at 31 August 2010, there were 74 974 active job seekers in the DES Employment Support Service (ESS) compared to 54 735 active job seekers in DEN as at 28 August 2009. Therefore, there were 20 239 more job seekers assisted in the DES ESS than under the previous DEN program.

As at 31 August 2010, there were 60 258 active job seekers in the DES Disability Management Service (DMS) compared to 47 996 active job seekers in VRS as at 31 August 2009. Therefore, there were 12 262 more job seekers assisted in the DES DMS than under the previous VRS program.