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Question

NATIONAL GREEN CORPS

Senator ABETZ—.... I turn now to the National Green Jobs Corps. How is that going and have we got many jobseekers who commenced? Ms Paul—I think it is going well. I will see whether I have something on that. I may have to take that on notice. As far as I know it is going really well. Senator ABETZ—Does that mean that all the available positions have been taken up or are being taken up? Ms Paul—I will need to take that on notice.

Answer

The National Green Jobs Corps commenced on 1 January 2010, with 5 000 places allocated for this calendar year.

As at 31 August 2010, 3 786 participants have commenced in the program. National Green Jobs Corps providers have indicated all allocated places will be filled this year.