

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 4 - Employment

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Senator Bernardi asked on 19 October 2011, Hansard page 94

Question

Employment Pathways Program funding

Senator BERNARDI: How much of the Employment Pathways Program funding is allocated as stream 1 job seekers of the 7,776 who are unemployed for 24 months? Ms McKinnon: I do not have it by the length of unemployment and stream. Ms Paul: We will take it on notice. Ms McKinnon: I have it by stream but not further broken down by length of unemployment, so I will take that on notice. Senator BERNARDI: If you could take that on notice that would be great

Answer

Employment Pathway Fund (EPF) expenditure from the beginning of the Deed (1 July 2009) to 31 August 2011, on the 7,776 Stream 1 job seekers who were unemployed for greater than 24 months, was \$850,128.

Bulk purchases and Work Experience group activities are not attributed to individual job seekers at stream level and therefore are not included in the expenditure figure for the 7,776 Stream 1 job seekers above. These categories account for approximately nine per cent of all EPF expenditure.