

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

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

Outcome 4 - Employment

DEEWR Question No. EW0779_12

Senator Siewert asked on 19 October 2011, Hansard page 101

Question

Post Programming monitoring Results for Job Services Australia

Ms McKinnon: I can tell you the post-programming monitoring. I can also give you by stream—which is a different thing—how many stream 1s have a job placement, a 13-week outcome and a 26-week outcome. The post-program monitoring program, with the scope of job seekers, is ask the job seeker three months after that, 'Are you currently in employment? Are you currently in educational training?'

Senator SIEWERT: For each steam?

Ms McKinnon: For each stream.

Senator SIEWERT: So there are two possible outcomes.

Ms McKinnon: Yes, and one is collected, simplistically, via payments to providers. That is how we know we have a job placement, a 13-week outcome and a 26-week outcome. The other is from the post-program monitoring where we contact job seekers and ask them.

Senator SIEWERT: In that case, I think it is better if you take it on notice. Can I have both of those things that we have just talked about, against each of the streams?

Ms McKinnon: Yes.

Senator SIEWERT: How many of those who have gained employment or have got an outcome may have then cycled back in less than the 12 months—in other words, people that have come out of employment and gone back into the program?

Ms McKinnon: We would have to take that on notice. The last data we have for them is at 26-week outcome and the evidence shows that that is sustained period of employment. You are asking about the next six months if they lose the employment and return.

Answer

JSA Post Program Monitoring Results by Stream, (July 2010 to June 2011)

Streams	Employment Outcomes (%)	Education Outcomes (%)	Positive Outcomes (%)
Stream 1	58.1	19.6	68.5
Stream 2	53.9	18.8	65.1
Stream 3	34.8	20.0	50.6
Stream 4	25.4	16.1	37.3
Streams 1-4	47.6	19.0	59.7

Notes: The post-program monitoring survey assesses the labour market and education status of job seekers around three months after a period of assistance in employment services.

An employment outcome is achieved when a job seeker indicates they are employed.

An education outcome is achieved when a job seeker indicates they are studying or training.

A positive outcome is achieved when a job seeker indicates they are working and/or studying/training.

Positive outcomes are less than the sum of employment and education outcomes because some job seekers achieve both employment and education outcomes.

JSA 13 and 26 Week Outcomes by Stream (July 2009 to August 2011)

Stream	13 Week Outcomes	26 week Outcomes
Stream 1	4,985	2,365
Stream 2	228,520	142,303
Stream 3	91,223	48,121
Stream 4	51,272	23,666
Total	376,000	216,455

Job Seeker Participation in JSA Post 26 Week Outcome (January 2010 to March 2011)

For those job seekers who had exited the JSA caseload at the time of the 26 week employment outcomes, 19% were recorded as being on the JSA caseload 6 months after the 26 week outcome was claimed.