Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2011-2012

Outcome 2 - Schools and Youth

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Question

ABSTUDY secondary budget

Senator SCULLION: So, in terms of secondary school student assistance, what was the total ABSTUDY secondary budget? Ms Milliken: The budget for ABSTUDY for 2011-12 is \$204.8 million. I do not have it broken down into secondary and tertiary. Ms Paul: We will have to take that on notice. Senator SCULLION: Okay. I assume you are not going to have a breakdown of the payments by student age and location? I understand you will not have that now, if you do not have the previous one. Ms Milliken: No, I do not have the information. Senator SCULLION: I wonder if you would be able to take on notice for me. Ms Milliken: Absolutely.

Answer

The 2011-12 ABSTUDY - Secondary budget \$132.391 million.

The table below shows the ABSTUDY secondary population by age and location as at 26 August 2011.

In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than twenty are reported as "<20".

ABSTUDY secondary population by age and location as at 26 August 2011

Home State / Territory and Recipient Age		ABSTUDY (Living Allowance)	ABSTUDY (other)
Australian Capital	Under 18	43	110
Territory	18 to 20	<20	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
New South Wales	Under 18	2499	7321
	18 to 20	308	20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
Northern Territory	Under 18	467	1665
	18 to 20	113	39
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
Queensland	Under 18	1934	5498
	18 to 20	114	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
South Australia	Under 18	514	855
	18 to 20	111	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
Tasmania	Under 18	261	433
	18 to 20	61	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	23	<20
Victoria	Under 18	422	1026
	18 to 20	98	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
Western Australia	Under 18	649	2221
	18 to 20	26	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20
Unknown	Under 18	<20	42
	18 to 20	<20	<20
	21 to 24	<20	<20
	25+	<20	<20

Source: Department of Human Services (Centrelink) administrative data