Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 3 - Employment

DEEWR Question No. EW0555_13

Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Refers to previous DEEWR Question No. EW0372_12

Question

Placed-based policies and data

Can the Department update the demographic data used to highlight key indicators for disadvantage that has been used for the selection of the place-based measures in the 10 locations, as reported previously in DEEWR Question No. EW0372_12.

Answer

The table below shows a number of the key indicators used to select the 10 areas for place-based measures. The data shown are more up-to-date than at the time the areas were selected.

Key indicators for areas identified to receive place-based assistance							
Local Government Area (LGA)	State	Unemployment rate (%) ¹	Proportion of the population (15-64) on income support ²	Annual change in unemployment beneficiaries (%) ³	Proportion of unemployment beneficiaries in receipt of payments for 12 months and over (%) ³	Proportion of the population (15-64) who have attained a Bachelor Degree or above (%) ⁴	Population ⁵
		June Quarter 2012	Aug-12	Aug11 - Aug12	Aug-12	Aug-11	Jun-11
Playford	SA	13.3	29.2	12.3	68.7	6.3	80,748
Burnie	TAS	9.8	22.6	9.7	69.1	11.1	20,208
Hume	VIC	7.8	17.2	8.6	61.8	14.1	175,063
Wyong	NSW	8.3	19.6	1.3	65.7	10.7	153,992
Logan	QLD	7.6	16.7	5.3	58.3	12.6	193,068
Bankstown	NSW	8.2	16.1	10.5	65.3	17.9	190,637
Kwinana	WA	9.7	14.7	5.1	54.7	10.3	30,671
Greater Shepparton	VIC	8.0	19.4	7.7	66.8	14.4	61,737
Shellharbour	NSW	7.3	16.1	1.0	64.4	10.5	66,054
Rockhampton	QLD	6.3	16.1	4.5	60.7	16.2	62,102
Australia		5.2*	12.2**	7.3	61.8	24.0	22,323,933

⁽¹⁾ Source: DEEWR Small Area Labour Markets, June Quarter 2012 (latest available data).

^{(2):} Sources: Centrelink Administrative Data (DEEWR Bluebook extract), ABS Population by Age and Sex, June 2011 (Cat No. 3235.0)

⁽³⁾ Source: Centrelink Administrative Data (DEEWR Bluebook extract)

⁽⁴⁾ Source: ABS Census of Population and Housing 2011

⁽⁵⁾ Source: ABS Population by Age and Sex, June 2011 (Cat No. 3235.0)

^{*} Please note that the latest seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Australia stood at 5.4 per cent in October 2012. The national unemployment rate provided above is a 12-month average, original figure for June 2012, to enable valid comparisons to be made with the data at the LGA level.

** Please also note that the Australian total uses more up-to-date population data and is therefore not strictly comparable with the LGA data provided in the table above.