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Question

Percentage of job seekers off welfare 26 weeks after their employment start date

Senator SINODINOS: What percentage of job seekers who are placed in employment by a JSA provider are off welfare 13 weeks after their employment start date?

Ms Parker: To the end of June, 48.7 per cent of stream 1 to 4 job seekers were in employment three months following participation in JSA. That is the end of June 2012.

Senator SINODINOS: What about 26 weeks after the employment start date?

Ms Drayton: We survey people three months after they have had assistance through JSA, so I am not sure, and I will just check for you.

Ms Parker: We also collect stats on how many are in employment, how many are in training—three months after—and how many are in both education and employment. So it is not just employment we are tracking.

Ms Drayton: Senator, we will have to take your question on notice.

Answer

Of all job seekers who were on benefit and placed in jobs between 1 January 2011 and 31 December 2011, 32 per cent were off benefit three months after the job placement and 39 per cent were off benefit six months after the job placement.