Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2013-2014

Outcome 3 - Employment

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Senator Scullion provided in writing.

Question

Relates to Question 329

In a written response to Question on Notice 329 from Additional Estimates, it was disclosed that the gap in employment between indigenous and non indigenous was 29.2% in 2006 and 27.4% in 2011. How much was spent by the Commonwealth on indigenous employment programs in this period?

Answer

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations' only Indigenous specific employment program is the Indigenous Employment Program. In 2006–07 the Indigenous Employment Program expended \$71.785 million. The Indigenous Employment Program budget expenditure information for the period 2007–08 to 2011–12 is published in the Department's annual reports that are available online at http://deewr.gov.au/annual-reports?resource.