Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

Nonvocational barriers to work

Senator CAMERON: Let's get this clear: 63 per cent of people who go through the program are not employed at the end of it.

Ms Leon: Some of those may be, for example, our stream C job seekers who have significant nonvocational barriers to work that still need addressing.

Senator CAMERON: What is your estimate of how many of them there are?

Ms Leon: We would have to get the data for you.

Mr Hehir: I do not have the data. In fact, I do not think that in the first cohort we had stream C.

Answer

Stream C job seekers make up approximately one fifth of job seekers who have taken part in a Work for the Dole activity.