

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

Outcome 3 - Higher Education

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Senator Cash provided in writing.

Question

State and Territory Funding and Reporting under the Productivity Places Program

(a) How much Federal Funding has been paid out to date to each state and territory under the PPP? (b) All states are now required to submit monthly reports on their progress. When did each state /territory commence providing their relevant report? (c) Are all states / territories providing these on time? If not, why not, which state/territory and what is being done to rectify this? (d) What action will be taken when a state is seen to be performing badly? (e) Has any action been taken on the states that performed badly?

Answer

(a) Table 1 below sets out how much funding has been paid to each state and territory by the Australian Government under the Productivity Places Program (PPP) to 8 March 2010.

Table 1: Australian Government Funding paid to states and territories under the PPP

	Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)	National Partnership (NP) PPP	Total
	\$	\$	\$
New South Wales	3 675 600	97 268 000	100 943 600
Victoria	2 612 159	76 607 000*	79 219 159
Queensland	4 937 851	60 744 000	65 681 851
Western Australia	2 453 920	30 907 000	33 360 920
South Australia	2 586 856	23 333 000	25 919 856
Tasmania	748 550	5 906 000	6 654 550
ACT	114 000	3 501 000	3 615 000
Northern Territory	354 866	3 323 000	3 677 866
TOTAL	17 483 802	253 182 000	319 072 802

* Victoria is paid under a separate agreement from the NP PPP.

(b) Table 2 below sets out the dates the first monthly progress report on NP PPP delivery was received by the Australian Government from each state and territory.

Table 2: Date first NP PPP monthly report was received

	Date (2009)
New South Wales	November
Victoria	October
Queensland	February
Western Australia	October
South Australia	April
Tasmania	June
ACT	December
Northern Territory	October

(c) All states and territories are now providing monthly data reports in a timely manner.

(d) This will be determined in the light of the circumstances.

(e) Only minor issues have arisen and these have been dealt with in correspondence.