

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2010-2011**

**Outcome 2 - Schools**

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**Senator Nash provided in writing.**

**Question**

**STATISTICS FOR PROGRAMS UNDER THE NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP**

The Partnership commenced on 1 January 2010. Before this date, the Department ran a number of programmes in Youth Support. The Department reported performance indicators against the number of students each program was estimated to assisted, and actual students assisted for each financial year. Will similar statistics be made available for the programs under the National Partnership?

**Answer**

The performance information available from the Youth Connections program is not directly comparable to the previous youth programs. The Youth Connections program records outcomes achieved by young people. The previous youth programs reported business levels or inputs; rather than outcomes. The reportable Youth Connections outcomes are achieved when a young person overcomes a significant barrier to re-engagement with education; or re-engages with education, training or employment.