

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Additional Estimates 2012-2013**

**Outcome 3 - Employment**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0781\_13**

**Senator Abetz provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Aussie Jobs, Looking Back, Looking Forward**

In relation to the publication *Aussie Jobs, Looking Back, Looking Forward*:

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What was the cost of preparing the publication - including a full breakdown?

Why does the booklet only contain information from 2007-2013?

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Why didn't the publication make any mention of the Government's promise to create half a million new jobs?

Was this publication approved by the Minister's office as drafted by the Department?

When did work commence on the publication?

**Answer**

**1. *Who commissioned this publication?***

The Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations commissioned the publication.

**2. *What was the cost of preparing the publication? Including a full breakdown?***

There were no costs involved in the drafting and design of the publication. Five hundred copies of the booklet were printed, with printing costs totaling \$2493.85 (GST exclusive).

**3. *Why does the booklet only contain information from 2007-2013?***

The objective of *Aussie Jobs, Looking Back, Looking Forward* was to provide a summary of employment growth by industry and occupation over the past five years (using ABS Labour Force Survey data for the period 2007-2012), and for the five years to 2016-17 (using DEEWR's latest employment projections).

**4. *Why didn't the Department include long term unemployment figures?***

The purpose of the publication was to provide information on past and projected employment growth by industry and occupation. Long-term unemployment figures are outside this scope.

**5. *Why didn't the Department include the employment to population ratio?***

The purpose of the publication was to provide information on past and projected employment growth by industry and occupation. The employment to population ratio is outside this scope.

**6. *Why didn't the publication make any mention of the Government's promise to create half a million new jobs?***

The purpose of the publication was to provide information on past and projected employment growth by industry and occupation. Government statements on job creation are outside this scope.

**7. *Was this publication approved by the Minister's Office as drafted by the Department?***

Yes.

**8. *When did work commence on the publication?***

Work commenced on the publication in September 2012.