EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

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Senator Harradine asked on 10 June 2003

Question:

Do you track how many school students move to tertiary education? If so, please provide a table giving the details of the proportion of schools students in each state and territory moving to university education and also showing the proportion of schools students in each state and territory moving to vocational education and training.

Answer:

The destinations of school leavers aged 15-19 years are reported annually in the National Report on Schooling in Australia (ANR).

Below is the table prepared for the 2002 ANR, which is currently in production.

Destinations of students aged 15-19 years who completed school in 2001, by labour force status/tertiary institution attended in May 2002, by State (per cent).

Labour Force Status/ educational institution	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	WA	TAS	NT	ACT	AUST
Employed (a)	28	24	24	26	37	41	52	34	28
Unemployed	9	8	12	12	5	9	16	1	9
Higher Education Instit	32	40	34	23	28	15	14	26	33
TAFE	22	24	19	26	23	24	11	31	22
Other (b)	9	5	12	14	7	10	7	7	8
Number of students	98,889	67,599	54,63 4	22,57 0	29,58 0	6,332	1,558	5,934	287,09 6

- (a) Includes person in part-time employment and not attending tertiary education.
- (b) Includes persons not in labour force or attending business college, industry skills centres and other educational institutions.
- (c) Since figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between the sums of component items when totalled.

Source: ABS Education and Work May 2002 (unpublished data)