

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

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

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

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Senator Cormann asked on 31/05/2010, Hansard page 19.

CONNECTION FAILURES

Senator CORMANN—How many of those job seekers had a connection failure since 1 July 2009? Ms Parker—Connection failures to 31 March numbered 242,866. Senator CORMANN—242,866 connection failures, but that is individual connection failures rather than people, isn't it? Ms Parker—Yes. Senator CORMANN—How many people does it relate to, how many individual job seekers? Ms Parker—How many job seekers? I think I would need to take that one on notice. I have specifics by actual failures, not job seekers.

Question

How many job seekers have had a connection failure?

Answer

For the period 01 July 2009 to 31 March 2010, there were 60 673 applied connection failures for 51 276 job seekers.