

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

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

Outcome 2 – Schools and Youth

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Senator Mason asked on 31 May 2012 , Hansard page 18

Question

Reference Schools

Senator MASON: Is there a big variation in dollar terms between the reference schools? Ms Paul: I am not sure. We can take that on notice.

Answer

There are 1408 reference schools based on 2008-2010 NAPLAN data. Reference schools do vary in cost structure, however, the range in Net Recurrent Income per Student for reference schools in the three school types (primary, secondary and combined) is less variable than that for non-reference schools.