

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009–10**

Outcome 4
DEEWR Question No. EW388_10

Senator Cash provided in writing.

Question

Workforce Participation criteria

Further to DEEWR Question No. EW0352_10 from 3 June 2009, please provide a break down of this information by Federal electorate, Australia-wide.

[Question No. EW0352_10 from 3 June 2009 requested information on regional and rural students who qualify for Youth Allowance through the workforce participation criterion. The response provided Centrelink administrative data on the recorded home addresses of young people who established their independence under the workforce participation criterion and who were granted Youth Allowance or ABSTUDY from the period April 2008 to April 2009. This data indicated that:

- 70 percent lived in a major cities;
- 21 percent lived in inner regional Australia;
- 8 percent lived in outer regional Australia; and
- the remaining 1 percent lived in remote or very remote Australia or did not have a post code recorded.]

Answer

Administrative data for current recipients of Youth Allowance at 24 April 2009, approved under the workforce participation criterion over the preceding 12 months, by Federal electorate is provided at Attachment A. A total of 32 008 full-time students and apprentices receiving Youth Allowance at 24 April 2009 qualified under the workforce participation criteria for independence over the preceding 12 months.

Attachment A

Students Receiving Youth Allowance at 24 April 2009 Who Qualified Under the Workforce Participation Criteria for Independence Over the Preceding 12 Months, by Federal Electorate

| Federal Electorate | Number of current Workforce Participation Criterion grant recipients at 24 April 2009 with duration less than 12 months |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Adelaide | 482 |
| Aston | 208 |
| Ballarat | 316 |
| Banks | 141 |
| Barker | 140 |
| Barton | 95 |
| Bass | 201 |
| Batman | 234 |
| Bendigo | 310 |
| Bennelong | 224 |
| Berowra | 269 |
| Blair | 125 |
| Blaxland | 95 |
| Bonner | 214 |
| Boothby | 396 |
| Bowman | 144 |
| Braddon | 91 |
| Bradfield | 292 |
| Brand | 117 |
| Brisbane | 548 |
| Bruce | 160 |
| Calare | 162 |
| Calwell | 136 |
| Canberra | 338 |
| Canning | 148 |
| Capricornia | 120 |
| Casey | 178 |
| Charlton | 187 |
| Chifley | 103 |
| Chisholm | 328 |
| Cook | 227 |
| Corangamite | 370 |
| Corio | 240 |
| Cowan | 205 |
| Cowper | 149 |
| Cunningham | 331 |
| Curtin | 455 |
| Dawson | 98 |
| Deakin | 179 |
| Denison | 317 |
| Dickson | 174 |
| Dobell | 179 |
| Dunkley | 183 |
| Eden-Monaro | 117 |
| Fadden | 276 |
| Fairfax | 312 |
| Farrer | 232 |
| Fisher | 214 |
| Flinders | 156 |
| Flynn | 71 |
| Forde | 128 |
| Forrest | 168 |

| Federal Electorate | Number of current Workforce Participation Criterion grant recipients at 24 April 2009 with duration less than 12 months |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fowler | 95 |
| Franklin | 140 |
| Fraser | 538 |
| Fremantle | 251 |
| Gellibrand | 198 |
| Gilmore | 130 |
| Gippsland | 140 |
| Goldstein | 252 |
| Gorton | 159 |
| Grayndler | 304 |
| Greenway | 132 |
| Grey | 70 |
| Griffith | 417 |
| Groom | 207 |
| Hasluck | 149 |
| Herbert | 341 |
| Higgins | 379 |
| Hindmarsh | 339 |
| Hinkler | 100 |
| Holt | 158 |
| Hotham | 169 |
| Hughes | 176 |
| Hume | 204 |
| Hunter | 97 |
| Indi | 186 |
| Isaacs | 170 |
| Jagajaga | 259 |
| Kalgoorlie | 61 |
| Kennedy | 88 |
| Kingsford Smith | 322 |
| Kingston | 147 |
| Kooyong | 455 |
| La Trobe | 177 |
| Lalor | 151 |
| Leichhardt | 152 |
| Lilley | 217 |
| Lindsay | 126 |
| Lingiari | 31 |
| Longman | 106 |
| Lowe | 173 |
| Lyne | 107 |
| Lyons | 57 |
| Macarthur | 135 |
| Mackellar | 206 |
| Macquarie | 261 |
| Makin | 167 |
| Mallee | 150 |
| Maranoa | 96 |
| Maribyrnong | 164 |
| Mayo | 195 |
| Mcewen | 181 |
| Mcmillan | 136 |
| Mcperson | 309 |
| Melbourne | 682 |
| Melbourne Ports | 277 |
| Menzies | 217 |
| Mitchell | 200 |
| Moncrieff | 400 |
| Moore | 255 |

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|---------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Moreton | 345 |
| Murray | 163 |
| New England | 241 |
| Newcastle | 513 |
| North Sydney | 282 |
| O'Connor | 122 |
| Oxley | 153 |
| Page | 185 |
| Parkes | 161 |
| Parramatta | 135 |
| Paterson | 78 |
| Pearce | 146 |
| Perth | 262 |
| Petrie | 149 |
| Port Adelaide | 147 |
| Prospect | 95 |
| Rankin | 139 |
| Reid | 113 |
| Richmond | 178 |
| Riverina | 259 |
| Robertson | 222 |
| Ryan | 796 |
| Scullin | 135 |
| Shortland | 172 |
| Solomon | 81 |
| Stirling | 266 |
| Sturt | 302 |
| Swan | 378 |
| Sydney | 439 |
| Tangney | 325 |
| Throsby | 116 |
| Wakefield | 90 |
| Wannon | 191 |
| Warringah | 239 |
| Watson | 106 |
| Wentworth | 267 |
| Werriwa | 105 |
| Wide Bay | 85 |
| Wills | 314 |
| RESIDUAL | 69 |
| Total Youth Allowance (Students and Apprentices) | 32008 |

NOTES:

- Electorate is based on the home postcode, not the student's term address. When interpreting these data it is necessary to consider that the home address provided by an independent Youth Allowance recipient may not indicate their parents' address in all cases.
- The Electorate / Postcode concordance is based on 2008 ABS data.
- Residual electorate population is made up of customers who don't have a postcode recorded or whose postcode cannot be mapped to an electorate.
- Source: Centrelink Administrative data.