

Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0439_11

Senator Abetz provided in writing.

Question

EMPLOYMENT PATHWAY FUND

Regarding the Employment Pathway Fund can the Department provide the average spend per job seeker in each stream? How many claims has the Department knocked back?

Answer

Between 1 July 2009 and 31 August 2010, the average Employment Pathway Fund assisted job seeker spent per Stream Service was as follows:

- \$207.19 per assisted Stream 1 job seeker
- \$608.61 per assisted Stream 2 job seeker
- \$815.71 per assisted Stream 3 job seeker
- \$887.44 per assisted Stream 4 job seeker

The Department does not collect data on the number of the individual requests for assistance through the Employment Pathway Fund which are not approved.