Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

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Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

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Senator Boyce provided in writing.

Question

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Are you able to provide disaggregated statistics on the open employment of people with disability?

Answer

The department has made the assumption that 'open employment' refers to job seekers accessing the Disability Employment Services program and not people with a disability who are currently employed in the open labour market and not receiving DES support.

For the point-in-time Disability Employment Services caseload as at 31 August 2010, of 135232 job seekers with disability, there were 55935 female and 79297 male participants in open employment.