Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs

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Human Services Portfolio

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Question:

Senator FURNER - Do you have a breakdown of what industries those jobs were in? **Ms Drayton** - I do not have that with me. On notice we can provide you with a list of who was attending each of the expos from a stall, participant or business perspective.

Answer:

At the Logan Jobs and Skills Expo held on 8 October 2010, a total of 83 exhibitors participated, with a total of 3,020 people attending on the day. Feedback from participating exhibitors indicated that 440 attendees were placed in employment as a direct consequence of their attendance at the Expo.

While Centrelink does not monitor the specific job type detail for each post Expo employment outcome, the range of job opportunities available at each Expo has been very broad including both blue and white collar positions, apprenticeships and traineeships. For example, at the Logan Expo the types of jobs and apprenticeships available included: store persons, school bus drivers, electricians, childcare workers, welders, panel beaters, sales representatives, IT traineeships, kitchen managers, aged care workers, hospitality staff, home and community care staff, lift technicians, diesel mechanics, abattoir workers, labourers, roofing assistants, general hands, production workers, telemarketers, boiler makers and swim instructors.

These vacancies were offered either directly by participating employers, or provided on their behalf by participating recruitment providers.