

## **Senate Standing Committee on Community Affairs**

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

#### **Outcome 3 – Employment**

**DEEWR Question No. CA0014\_13**

**Senator Siewert asked on 1 June 2012 , Hansard page 51**

#### **Question**

##### **Australian employment covenant**

Ms Wood: In terms of the Australian employment covenant, the last figures formally reported to the department by the AEC were that they had 61,765 job commitments with 326 employers and they had reported 7,043 job placements and 2,081 26-week outcomes achieved. Senator SIEWERT: Sorry, what was it? Two thousand— Ms Wood: 2081. Those figures were reported to the department in February. There has obviously been a range of media that are using other figures but those have not been formally reported to us. Senator SIEWERT: When are they due to report next? Ms Wood: Our funding agreement with the AEC concluded at the end of March so they do not have any formal reporting requirement. Senator SIEWERT: At the end of March? Ms Wood: At the end of March. Senator SIEWERT: Have they reported to the end of March for the conclusion of that arrangement? Ms Wood: They reported at February. We will have to check if we have any further report but I do not think so.

#### **Answer**

The report received by the Department from the AEC on 23 February 2012 was the last received in relation to job commitments, job commencements and 26-week outcomes.

Further reporting on these elements was not required for the remainder of the contract.