

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

**QUESTION ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2014 - 2015**

Outcome: Higher Education Research and International

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000181

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VET FEE-HELP - course subsidies

Question

Are course subsidies still being offered or are State Governments with-drawing from funding this level so that students have to rely on VET FEE-HELP?

Answer

State subsidised places are being offered in all states/territories at the level of diploma and advanced diploma.

Students in state subsidised places may be eligible for VET FEE-HELP assistance.

From the 2013 VET FEE-HELP annual statistical report, the number of VET FEE-HELP assisted enrolments in state subsidised places has been increasing:

Fee type	VET FEE-HELP assisted course enrolments				
	2010	2011	2012	2013	Change 2012 to 2013
State Government subsidised	10,654	10,861	12,308	21,668	76.0%

Source: VET FEE-HELP Data collection