

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

Programme monitoring survey

Senator CAMERON: Can you also provide details of the analysis that you have done that shows that 62.8 per cent of people in the program exiting between July and September do not end up with the job?

Mr Hehir: We can give you a breakdown of the program monitoring survey, which is the reverse of the employment measure from that. I am not sure how much detail it has in it, but it will be able to give you the full outcomes of the survey.

Answer

The Department of Employment's Post-Programme Monitoring (PPM) survey is used to monitor the labour force and education status of job seekers three months after they have taken part in an activity.

jobactive began on 1 July 2015 with job seekers progressively starting after that date in up to six months of Work for the Dole. Therefore, it is early days to be looking at what has happened to job seekers since they left a Work for the Dole activity under jobactive. A full year of survey data will provide a more comprehensive picture of what former Work for the Dole participants are doing

Of job seekers who exited Work for the Dole over July to September 2015, the PPM survey showed that three months later 37.2 per cent were in employment and 12.0 per cent were in education. The remaining 50.8 per cent were either looking for work (43.2 per cent) or not in the labour force (7.7 per cent).