

**Senate Committee: Education and Employment**

**QUESTION ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016**

**Outcome: Higher Education Research and International**

**Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ15-000367**

Senator Carr, Kim asked on 03 June 2015, Hansard page 113

***Undergraduate applications and offers***

**Question**

Senator KIM CARR: Year 12 applications, either through TAC or through direct, have increased by 1.3 per cent, and non-year 12 applications fell by 1.9 per cent?

Dr Taylor: I do not have it in my notes, but that sounds correct, yes.

Senator KIM CARR: Is this change a reflection of population or does it exceed population growth?

Dr Taylor: I will have to take that on notice. But, going by memory here, it is around the same as population growth.

**Answer**

1. As at February 2015, Year 12 applications processed through TACs and directly through universities have increased by 1.9 per cent and non-year 12 applications have increased by 0.4 per cent.
2. The number of 17-18 year-olds, the feeder group for Year 12 applications, decreased by 0.2 per cent between June 2013 and June 2014. The number of 19-64 year-olds, the feeder group for non-Year 12 applications increased by 1.4 per cent over the same period.