

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016

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ATARS of 90 or more

Question

Senator KIM CARR: Again, it is because of the unilateral decisions of another minister. With 5.3 per cent of student offers with ATARS of 90 or more, how does that compare with all other subject disciplines? In fact, it is the lowest, isn't it?

Dr A Taylor: I will have to take that detail on notice, but yes it is one of the lowest.

Answer

Table 1. Share of Year 12 offers for the ATAR band 90 and above by field of education, February 2015

Field of education	ATAR band 90 and above
Natural and Physical Sciences	6903 (39.3%)
Information Technology	403 (11.3%)
Engineering	3795 (39.0%)
Architecture	449 (15.7%)
Agriculture, Environmental and Related Studies	189 (10.4%)
Health	5,888 (26.6%)
Education	392 (5.3%)
Management and Commerce	4966 (25.8%)
Society and Culture	7764 (28.8%)
Creative Arts	1721 (16.2%)
Australia	32,606 (26.5%)

Note: Hospitality and Mixed field programs are not shown due to the small numbers.