

## Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

### QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2015 - 2016

#### Outcome 1 - Employment

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#### Question

##### Tasmanian Jobs Programme wage subsidy - breakdown of information

Senator LINES: What industries are those employers in?

Ms Drayton: Construction and retail are the most populous ones, followed by transport; postal; warehousing; manufacturing; accommodation and food services; agriculture; forestry and fishing; professional scientific technical services; education and training; and health care and social assistance are the top 10.

Senator LINES: Is there a gender bias across those?

Ms Drayton: I do not have that. I just have the total gender break-up.

Senator LINES: Can you take that on notice, please? What regions are those employers in?

Ms Drayton: The information that I gave you earlier is all I have got it broken down to, so just the three different employment service areas and what the split was that I gave you earlier.

Senator LINES: If you can supply us with that, that would be good. You might need to take that on notice. Of the employers who have received the subsidy to date—I think you said there was—

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Ms Drayton: There are 119 employers who are part of that program.

Senator LINES: That is right, you paid out 80.

Ms Drayton: Fifty.

Senator LINES: Fifty, sorry. Of those 50 employers, how many of those employers are still employing the employee for whom they receive the subsidy?

Ms Drayton: Of the 82 job seekers that have completed their six months, we know that 62 of them are still in employment—whether they are with the same employer, I am not sure. They are still employed.

Senator LINES: If you can take that on notice, that would be good.

#### Answer

Job seekers who gain employment and cease receiving income support are no longer attached to employment services. The department does not obtain or keep data relating to employment of these job seekers beyond the period of the wage subsidy.

Of the 50 instances where the employer received the Tasmanian Jobs Programme Wage subsidy, seven have returned to income support. The remaining 43 are still in employment, with either the same or a different employer, or are not in receipt of income support.

The below table provides a Gender breakdown across the top 10 industries (as at 26 May 2015):

| Industry (ANZSIC)                            | Male | Female | Total Placed |
|--|------|--------|--------------|
| Construction                                 | 23   |        | 23           |
| Retail Trade                                 | 8    | 11     | 19           |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing            | 17   |        | 17           |
| Manufacturing                                | 16   |        | 16           |
| Accommodation and Food Services              | 5    | 6      | 11           |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing               | 9    | 1      | 10           |
| Professional, Scientific, Technical Services | 5    | 2      | 7            |
| Education and Training                       |      | 5      | 5            |
| Health Care and Social Assistance            | 1    | 3      | 4            |
| Electricity, Gas, Water, Waste Services      | 1    | 2      | 3            |

The below table provides a breakdown of the top 10 industries by Employment Services Area (as at 26 May 2015):

| Industry                                     | Hobart ESA | Launceston ESA | West and North West ESA | Total Placed |
|--|------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|
| Construction                                 | 10         | 8              | 5                       | 23           |
| Retail Trade                                 | 4          | 9              | 6                       | 19           |
| Transport, Postal and Warehousing            | 4          | 7              | 6                       | 17           |
| Manufacturing                                | 6          | 4              | 6                       | 16           |
| Accommodation and Food Services              | 3          | 3              | 5                       | 11           |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing               | 2          | 1              | 7                       | 10           |
| Professional, Scientific, Technical Services | 5          | 1              | 1                       | 7            |
| Education and Training                       | 3          | 2              |                         | 5            |
| Health Care and Social Assistance            | 1          | 2              | 1                       | 4            |
| Electricity, Gas, Water, Waste Services      | 0          | 2              | 1                       | 3            |