

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2014-2015**

Outcome 1 - Employment

Department of Employment Question No. EM1545_15

Senator Xenophon provided in writing.

Question

JSA clients - Certificate II in warehousing

1. How many Job Services Australia clients were referred to Excel Training in order to undertake a Certificate II in Warehousing? 2. Of those clients that were referred, how many successfully completed the Certificate II in Warehousing? 3. Of those clients who successfully completed the Certificate II in Warehousing, how many have since found employment related to the skills they obtained through that qualification? 4. How much Federal Government funding has been allocated to Excel Training in order to cover student course fees for the Certificate II in Warehousing? For all courses offered by Excel Training?

Answer

1. How many Job Services Australia clients were referred to Excel Training in order to undertake a Certificate II in Warehousing?

Between 1 July 2009 and 31 August 2014, 106 job seekers were referred to Certificate II in Warehousing with the Excel Training company.

2. Of those clients that were referred, how many successfully completed the Certificate II in Warehousing?

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3. Of those clients who successfully completed the Certificate II in Warehousing, how many have since found employment related to the skills they obtained through that qualification?

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4. How much Federal Government funding has been allocated to Excel Training in order to cover student course fees for the Certificate II in Warehousing? For all courses offered by Excel Training?

A search using the Australian Business Number attributed to the Excel Training company shows that:

- Between 1 July 2012 and 31 August 2014, \$24,085 was paid by Job Services Australia providers from the Employment Pathway Fund to assist job seekers

undertake a Certificate II in Warehousing with the Excel Training company. Payment information for specific course types such as a Certificate II has only been available since 1 July 2012.

- Between 1 July 2009 and 31 August 2014, \$1,838,454 was paid by Job Services Australia providers from the Employment Pathway Fund to assist job seekers undertake various courses with the Excel Training company.