

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

Percentage of job seekers undertaking an ESAT

Mr Hehir: Just to clarify, the subset of—I am not quite sure what percentage of stream one or two actually have an ESAT, but the figures, or the barriers to employment, that Ms Drayton read out were from a subset of stream one and two. I am not quite sure what percentage undertake an ESAT, but it is definitely a subset of the, I think, XXX that applies for everybody because they actually have to go through a process of being identified as having an additional, or additional issues. Senator SIEWERT: This is once they are referred to their JSA, they are then referred on to the—sorry, the Centrelink— Ms Drayton: No. Senator, they have their original job seeker classification instrument and that triggers a further assessment, the ESAT, and these are the results of the top ten barriers from the ESATs. So it is a subset of all the streams. Senator SIEWERT: What percentage? Ms Drayton: That is what I will have to take on notice.

Answer

As at the 31 August 2014, 20 per cent of job seekers in Stream 1 or 2 had an Employment Services Assessment or Job Capacity Assessment.