

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Question

Work for the Dole - Activities by region

Senator O'NEILL: You mentioned in training, Green Army and part time. That would also be interesting by region—what activities are actually going on in each of those 51 regions.

Answer

Table 1 provides the number of activities other than Work for the Dole in each Employment Region, from 1 July to 30 September 2015.

Job seekers can participate in these activities in or outside of the Work for the Dole phase.

Table 1: Activities* other than Work for the Dole from 1 July 2015 to 30 September 2015.

Employment Regions	Part Time/Casual Paid Employment	Accredited Education and Training (Vocational)	Voluntary Work	Other**
Adelaide North	978	722	114	213
Adelaide South	904	1,003	148	175
Ballarat	445	202	43	<20
Barwon	793	649	46	123
Bendigo	502	210	91	109
Brisbane South East	1,440	1,395	75	99
Broome	<20	28	<20	<20
Cairns	257	204	30	79
Capital Region	569	381	52	82
Central West	392	232	85	80
Darling Downs	193	173	<20	46
Darwin (includes Alice Springs)	159	98	<20	<20
Esperance	<20	<20	<20	<20
Far West Orana (includes Broken Hill)	307	186	34	46
Fitzroy	402	230	<20	34
Geraldton	44	39	<20	<20
Gippsland	279	205	26	69
Gold Coast	1,670	1,153	192	216

Goulburn/Murray	454	572	60	132
Great Southern - Wheatbelt	150	44	<20	<20
Hobart and Southern Tasmania	904	331	40	39
Hunter	1,117	570	49	116
Illawarra South Coast	1,196	614	108	190
Inner Metropolitan Melbourne	2,837	4,137	86	299
Kalgoorlie	46	<20	<20	<20
Mackay	161	150	61	69
Mid North Coast	888	597	73	288
Mid North SA	73	55	<20	<20
Murray and South East	40	84	<20	33
Murray Riverina	243	213	34	28
New England and North West	846	427	135	95
North and North Western Tasmania	584	357	39	87
North Coast	658	470	126	155
North Eastern Melbourne	926	1,072	50	116
North West Country SA	<20	63	<20	20
North Western Melbourne	626	583	<20	212
Perth - North	1,119	1,037	64	195
Perth - South	1,164	827	142	223
Somerset	1,533	1,870	90	180
South Coast of Victoria	411	145	46	29
South Eastern Melbourne and Peninsula	1,429	1,441	104	167
South West WA	156	74	46	29
Sydney East Metro	1,782	2,540	54	220
Sydney Greater West	1,189	1,039	83	295
Sydney North and West	1,132	746	60	189
Sydney South West	982	847	23	295
Townsville (includes Mt Isa)	198	242	<20	23
Western Melbourne	1,211	1,058	28	107
Wide Bay and Sunshine Coast	989	676	76	149
Wimmera Mallee	445	204	66	39
Wivenhoe	422	349	26	76
No location recorded at 30 September***	78	1,077	73	419
Total	35,342	31,630	2,909	5,945

*Activities may be available in more than one location. Where an activity is occurring in more than one Employment Region, that activity has been counted against each relevant Employment Region. As a result, the total figures for activities above will be greater than the national figure.

**‘Other’ refers to all other types of activities that a job seeker may undertake to meet their Annual Activity Requirement, including non vocational assistance, interventions, unpaid work experience, defence force and other government programmes.

***Some approved activities did not have a location recorded as at 30 September 2015. These activities have been recorded as ‘no location recorded at 30 September’.