

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment

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Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

Wage subsidy employment outcomes

Provide the latest data on the employment outcomes from the Government's wage subsidies program. What proportion and how many people accessing a wage subsidy were still in employment at three months and at six months? How many and what proportion are long term or very long-term unemployed people?

Answer

What proportion and how many people accessing a wage subsidy were still in employment at three months and at six months?

Tasmanian Jobs Programme:

- 62 per cent of participants achieved a 12 Week or 13 Week Employment Outcome.
- 69 per cent of participants achieved a 26 Week Employment Outcome.

Restart:

- 60 per cent of participants achieved a 12 Week or 13 Week Employment Outcome.
- 52 per cent of participants achieved a 26 Week Employment Outcome.

Long Term Unemployed and Indigenous Wage Subsidy:

- At this point in time, it is too early for reliable comparative data.
- No participants have been in a placement long enough to achieve a 26 Week Employment Outcome at this point in time.

Note: The Government's wage subsidies programme includes the Tasmanian Jobs Programme and Restart, which have been active for some time.

How many and what proportion are long term or very long-term unemployed people?

Tasmanian Jobs Programme:

78 per cent of participants are long-term unemployed.

42 per cent of participants are very long-term unemployed.

Restart:

76 per cent of participants are long-term unemployed.

41 per cent of participants are very long-term unemployed.

Long Term Unemployed and Indigenous Wage Subsidy:

94 per cent of participants are long-term unemployed.

61 per cent of participants are very long-term unemployed.

Data as at 27 October 2015.