

Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

Outcome: Schools and Youth

Department of Education and Training Question No. SQ16-000856

Senator Collins, Jacinta provided in writing

NCCD/disability loadings - numbers

Question

What is the current number of students receiving disability loadings in each state?

Answer

At 27 October 2016, the table below details full time equivalent (FTE) of students with disability attracting the disability loading under the *Australian Education Act 2013* (the Act) in both government and non-government schools.

State	SWD FTE
ACT	2,945
NSW	71,006
NT	2,535
QLD	39,305
SA	19,565
TAS	5,910
VIC	46,464
WA	15,291
Grand Total	203,022

With regard to the above information, please note the following:

1. Data is sourced from the departmental payment system, SEMIS, at 27 October 2016.
2. 'Students with disability' is a defined term within section 6 of the Act.
 - a) For non-government students, students with disability meet requirements contained in the 2016 Census of non-government school guidelines.
 - b) For government schools, students with disability are reported to the department by the respective state or territory as part of the 2015 National Schools Statistical Collection (NSSC).
3. The FTE for students at non-government schools is based on the 2016 Census of Non-Government Schools. The FTE for students at government schools is based on the 2015 NSSC.