Senate Committee: Education and Employment

QUESTION ON NOTICE Supplementary Budget Estimates 2016 - 2017

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Question

Senator O'NEILL: The target you set it in your capability statement was to be consistent with staff turnover and retention benchmarks. What is the benchmark?

Mr Randall: Against the broader public sector measure?

Senator O'NEILL: Yes.

Mr Randall: I would need to check that. I do not have that with me.

Answer

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) has provided the following response.

ACARA's 2016/17 Corporate Plan includes a measure for 'staff turnover rate consistent with turnover and retention benchmarks'. ACARA intends to benchmark against the Australian Public Service exit rate at a minimum, but may also take into account state/territory public service turnover rates given its workforce includes staff from state/territory agencies.