

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

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Question:

A target of 20 per cent Indigenous employment has been set for this program. Please provide the latest Indigenous and non-Indigenous employment figures for the program roll out. Is the employment target being met?

Answer:

Implementation Plans under the National Partnership Agreement on Remote Indigenous Housing (NPARIH) include a 20 per cent target for Indigenous employment on capital works as a percentage of the total workforce.

Information provided by jurisdictions in 2012-13 Annual Status Reports show that the employment target is being exceeded in all jurisdictions. Jurisdictions are not required to report on non-Indigenous employment. The table below shows Indigenous employment outcomes achieved for all jurisdictions up to 30 June 2013:

	Indigenous Employees Under NPARIH Capital Works			
	2009-10	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
NSW	n/a	26.0%	31.0%	26.0%
Qld	n/a	35.8%	53.0%	67%
SA	20%	37.3%	36.0%	28.0%
WA	22%	36.8%	34.4%	33.0%
Tas	22%	21.9%	n/a	23.0%
NT	32%	34.0%	29.0%	25.0%