

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Industry, Innovation, Science, Research and Tertiary Education Portfolio
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AGENCY/DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION, SCIENCE, RESEARCH AND TERTIARY EDUCATION

TOPIC: Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) Scores

REFERENCE: Question on Notice (Hansard, 28 May 2012, page 65)

QUESTION No.: BI-233

Can the committee have data for each year between 2009 and 2012 of the proportion and number of students who have received offers of a university place for students with an ATAR band of 40 or less, students with an ATAR band of 40 to 50, students with an ATAR band of 50 to 60, 60 to 70, 70 to 80, 80 to 90 and 90 or more?

Senator MASON

ANSWER

Table 1 shows the number of tertiary admissions centre offers to Year 12 applicants by ATAR band. Table 2 shows the corresponding proportion by ATAR band. The tables include domestic undergraduate offers (Commonwealth-supported places) made to Year 12 applicants who have a valid ATAR. The 2012 data is based on third round tertiary admissions centre submission data (latest published data).

Table 1: Tertiary Admissions Centre Offers to Year 12 applicants, by ATAR, 2009-2012

ATAR Band	2009	2010	2011	2012
40.00 or less	378	354	463	697
40.05-50.00	1,275	1,588	1,942	3,116
50.05-60.00	7,235	7,626	9,521	10,305
60.05-70.00	16,052	16,782	18,501	20,008
70.05-80.00	21,604	23,168	23,258	24,196
80.05-90.00	25,644	27,140	27,485	28,361
90.05 or more	30,424	31,879	32,393	33,356
Total	102,612	108,537	113,563	120,039

Table 2: Proportion of Tertiary Admissions Centre Offers to Year 12 applicants, by ATAR, 2009-2012

ATAR Band	2009	2010	2011	2012
40.00 or less	0.4%	0.3%	0.4%	0.6%
40.05-50.00	1.2%	1.5%	1.7%	2.6%
50.05-60.00	7.1%	7.0%	8.4%	8.6%
60.05-70.00	15.6%	15.5%	16.3%	16.7%
70.05-80.00	21.1%	21.3%	20.5%	20.2%
80.05-90.00	25.0%	25.0%	24.2%	23.6%
90.05 or more	29.6%	29.4%	28.5%	27.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%