

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2003-2004 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 1

Output Group: 1.4 – Assistance for Transition through and from School

DEST Question No. E924_04

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

Jobs Pathway Programme: Please provide an update on this programme and explain how it operates in relation to the type of assistance provided to the target group? Could the Department provide forward estimates?

Answer:

Jobs Pathway Programme

The Jobs Pathway Programme (JPP) assists at risk young people aged 14 to 19 make the transition through school and from school to further education, training or employment.

The assistance provided varies depending upon the individual needs of the young person. JPP is targeted to those most at risk of not making a smooth transition and participants falling within one or more of the target groups must form at least sixty per cent of the minimum contracted business level. Participants are offered assistance which is tailored to their needs. After an initial assessment, assistance may include, but is not limited to:

- personal development;
- support to remain in or return to school;
- raising self esteem and motivation;
- mentoring;
- enlisting parental support;
- advocacy;
- transition planning;
- literacy/numeracy assistance;
- provision of advice and information on school-based VET options, post-secondary studies (including pre-vocational and vocational education and training programmes), and New Apprenticeships;
- referral to providers of other support services;
- job search preparation;
- ongoing support throughout the funding period.

Forward Estimates for the Jobs Pathway Programme 2003-04 to 2006-07

Forward Estimates	2003-04	2004-05	2005-2006	2006-2007
Jobs Pathway Programme ('000s)	\$23 486	\$23 956	\$24 411	\$24 899