

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2007-08 ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome All

DEEWR Question No. EW03_08

Senator Minchin provided in writing.

Question

Grants approved by Minister

All grants which have been approved by Ministers from within their portfolio.

Answer

The Education, Employment and Workplace Relations portfolio manages a diverse range of grants on behalf of Government.

Delegates of the Minister approve grants. The majority of grants are appropriated through legislation for the education sector for schools, higher education and training providers. There are also grants for a range of other program activity appropriated through the Annual Appropriation Acts. Discretionary grant programs are payments made to applicants at the discretion of the portfolio minister or the paying agency and the description of the programs is in the respective annual reports are as follows:

Department of Education Science and Training 2006-07: Pages 322-324

Department of Employment and Workplace Relations 2006-07: Page 218

Grants made by the Department in respect of Discretionary Grant programs for the period 1 July 2007 to 31 March 2008 are attached.

Program Title	Grants approved	No of Grants per Program
Child Care Services Support Appropriation	\$106,976,840	4,400
Children's Services Local Government Appropriation (LGA)	\$40,120,460	500
COAG Skills Package	\$33,000	1
Employer Demand Demonstration Project	\$1,895,061	50
Enterprise and Career Education Program (ECEP)	\$605,400	6
Industry Training Strategies Program	\$7,171,242	33
Mature Age Employment & Workforce Strategy	\$307,891	10
National Programs	\$33,000	4
Science Connections Program	\$147,000	4
Strategic Intervention Program (SIP)	\$2,946,823	13
Support for Small Businesses on Regional University Campuses Program	\$1,549,850	9
Training the Adult Trainers	\$161,700	1
Workplace English Language and Literacy (WELL)	\$613,465	22
Youth Engagement Appropriation	\$30,912,387	207
Total	\$193,441,119	5,260