

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2009-2010**

Outcome 2 - Schools

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Senator Mason asked on 11/02/2010, Hansard page 90.

Question

NSP PROJECTS

Ms Wall—The number is 4,435.

Senator MASON—Out of 13,148 projects. That is only about a third.

Ms Wall—It is 35 per cent. As I said, some of those will commence and complete later because of variations. I should say that our data is of December. We know that many of those projects would have been completed over the Christmas holidays, because children are not there and that is the obvious time to do the work. We expect that to increase significantly when we get the January data later this month. Senator MASON—So we know that only 35 per cent have been completed.

Ms Paul—Before the school holidays.

Ms Wall—As of December.

Ms Paul—We are happy to take that on notice and update it. It is only a few weeks till we get the data.

Senator MASON—So 35 per cent out of 13,148 as at what date?

Ms Wall—As of 31 December.

Answer

As at 28 February 2010, 7,885 *National School Pride* projects were reported by Education Authorities as being complete. This represents 62 per cent of the total number of approved projects.