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Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

JOB SERVICES AUSTRALIA ON THE APY LANDS - ASSISTANCE

How many Aboriginal people on the APY Lands were supported into employment by their Job Services Australia provider in 2010? In how many of these cases, did the employment outcomes match the type of employment that had been identified in the person's employment pathway plan?

Answer

For the period 1 January to 31 December 2010, 77job placements had been recorded by Job Services Australia (JSA) providers for Indigenousjob seekers who were residing in the APY Lands at the time of placement. A total of 13Indigenous job seekers from the APY Lands achieved 13-week employment outcomes in the same period.

The Department's contract management regime does not extend to reviewing every Employment Pathway Plan (EPP). Departmental contract managers review a sample of job seeker records in Employment Service Areasas part of periodic contract management. JSA providers are required to provide tailored assistance to job seekers, for example, by providing books and equipment for training, clothing and other work or presentation-related assistance, wage subsidies and post placement support.