

Senate Standing Committee on Education and Employment - Education

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Additional Estimates 2013-2014**

Outcome 1 - Early Childhood Education and Child Care

Department of Education Question No. ED0298_14

Senator Hanson-Young provided in writing.

Question

National Workforce Census

When was the National Workforce Census completed? Why hasn't the Census been released? Will the Census be provided to the Productivity Commission to consider as part of its Inquiry? What are the key findings in relation to the number of:

- a) Staff working towards or holding a Certificate III qualification
- b) Staff working towards or holding a Diploma qualification
- c) Staff working towards or holding a Four year teaching degree

Answer

Data collection for the 2013 Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) National Workforce Census (Census) occurred late last year and results are currently being finalised including final data assurance checks.

Results from the Census are used for a range of purposes including input to the Productivity Commission's (PC) Report on Government Services and will also be available to the PC's Inquiry into Childcare and Early Childhood Learning.