EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2005-2006 BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.5 – Assistance for post school students including those with special

needs

DEST Question No. E378_06 (Final)

Senator Carr provided in writing.

Question:

- 1) What was the total outstanding HECS debt by State/Territory and nationally for each calendar year from 1989 to the most recently available data?
- 2) When is it anticipated that more recent data will be available?

Answer:

Outstanding HECS debt by State and Territory for each calendar year

- 1) The answer is provided at Attachment A.
- 2) Data for calendar year 2005 will not be available until around June 2006.

Outstanding HECS debts by State and Territory as at 31 December each year

| Year | Australian Capital Territory | New South Wales | Northern Territory | South Australia | Queensland |
|------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1989 | \$13,917,032 | \$128,311,988 | \$3,492,845 | \$29,360,652 | \$64,228,907 |
| 1990 | \$29,020,908 | \$272,820,641 | \$7,436,779 | \$62,876,477 | \$138,662,426 |
| 1991 | \$45,235,381 | \$437,820,231 | \$11,917,210 | \$100,961,738 | \$225,954,164 |
| 1992 | \$63,129,064 | \$622,442,212 | \$16,997,563 | \$142,491,632 | \$322,661,604 |
| 1993 | \$80,294,986 | \$800,672,818 | \$21,959,940 | \$182,924,942 | \$415,826,054 |
| 1994 | \$95,452,367 | \$975,919,781 | \$27,035,614 | \$224,455,899 | \$510,740,730 |
| 1995 | \$111,283,498 | \$1,146,587,684 | \$32,273,604 | \$269,306,023 | \$608,452,778 |
| 1996 | \$127,095,540 | \$1,317,941,717 | \$37,748,201 | \$316,961,022 | \$714,367,064 |
| 1997 | \$145,140,730 | \$1,498,519,737 | \$43,585,890 | \$365,823,660 | \$835,126,245 |
| 1998 | \$161,079,618 | \$1,647,409,474 | \$47,783,565 | \$406,250,155 | \$944,516,044 |
| 1999 | \$162,351,367 | \$1,651,270,134 | \$47,916,711 | \$412,529,669 | \$964,969,235 |
| 2000 | \$200,208,982 | \$2,041,465,192 | \$58,478,572 | \$512,970,405 | \$1,241,352,151 |
| 2001 | \$225,534,930 | \$2,319,332,644 | \$65,128,580 | \$588,527,511 | \$1,456,494,060 |
| 2002 | \$250,529,629 | \$2,625,279,367 | \$71,134,573 | \$665,417,877 | \$1,689,635,720 |
| 2003 | \$273,715,161 | \$2,951,205,758 | \$76,337,684 | \$746,331,643 | \$1,930,349,974 |
| 2004 | \$270,307,960 | \$2,989,978,594 | \$74,818,897 | \$763,567,545 | \$1,987,639,368 |
| 2005 | \$282,165,566 | \$3,166,100,936 | \$76,451,482 | \$809,300,653 | \$2,116,572,298 |

| Year | Tasmania | Victoria | Western Australia | Other | Total |
|------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1989 | \$7,744,904 | \$122,530,822 | \$38,231,716 | \$2,366,269 | \$410,185,135 |
| 1990 | \$16,366,918 | \$259,672,633 | \$81,368,663 | \$4,840,469 | \$873,065,914 |
| 1991 | \$26,135,260 | \$418,443,097 | \$131,494,543 | \$7,498,912 | \$1,405,460,535 |
| 1992 | \$37,086,364 | \$593,897,404 | \$186,900,534 | \$10,294,491 | \$1,995,900,866 |
| 1993 | \$47,808,926 | \$765,797,270 | \$239,674,412 | \$12,895,295 | \$2,567,854,643 |
| 1994 | \$58,537,594 | \$942,069,421 | \$290,997,972 | \$15,252,037 | \$3,140,461,414 |
| 1995 | \$70,093,698 | \$1,120,646,447 | \$342,734,516 | \$17,321,729 | \$3,718,699,977 |
| 1996 | \$81,911,639 | \$1,303,599,192 | \$396,266,097 | \$19,000,363 | \$4,314,890,834 |
| 1997 | \$94,795,699 | \$1,493,540,272 | \$451,966,590 | \$20,112,323 | \$4,948,611,147 |
| 1998 | \$106,374,614 | \$1,656,928,922 | \$498,188,328 | \$20,311,972 | \$5,488,842,691 |
| 1999 | \$109,656,895 | \$1,665,915,894 | \$503,248,959 | \$19,612,353 | \$5,537,471,217 |
| 2000 | \$140,221,457 | \$2,037,681,799 | \$629,100,017 | \$20,094,710 | \$6,881,573,285 |
| 2001 | \$164,270,647 | \$2,287,707,682 | \$724,153,685 | \$20,068,105 | \$7,851,217,843 |
| 2002 | \$190,335,629 | \$2,554,147,472 | \$830,179,403 | \$20,454,718 | \$8,897,114,389 |
| 2003 | \$217,698,250 | \$2,832,330,885 | \$944,103,387 | \$21,175,270 | \$9,993,248,012 |
| 2004 | \$226,353,312 | \$2,869,739,517 | \$969,552,253 | \$21,141,738 | \$10,173,099,18 3 |
| 2005 | \$240,843,393 | \$3,029,118,628 | \$1,030,214,63 3 | \$21,684,907 | \$10,772,452,49 4 |

Notes:

- Data is provided by the Australian Taxation Office.
- Due to a change in reporting requirements, debts incurred in the second half of 2004 were not reported until April 2005 and debts incurred in 2005 are not included in this table.
- Addresses extracted are the current client addresses and may differ from where a client once resided.
- This data is based on the residential address postcode of each client. If the residential address postcode is blank or invalid, then the postal address postcode is used.
- 'Other' clients include those overseas or where the postal address postcode is invalid or incomplete.

| • | Address data is based on the latest information provided to the Australian Taxation Office by the taxpayer or their agent and may no longer be current. | | | | |
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