

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION  
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING  
31 MAY 2005**

**EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance**

**Output Group: 1.2 Labour market programme management and delivery**

**Outputs: 1.2.2 Employment Services**

**Question Number: W410-06**

**Question:**

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* Page 32:

Can the Department provide monthly flow figures for the last 12 months of what proportion of jobseekers as assessed as high disadvantaged? What proportion of Intensive Support participants and Intensive Support participants who are classified as high disadvantaged attracted outcome payments at the 13 and 26 week thresholds throughout 2004?

**Answer:**

For Job Network referrals from 1 June 2004 to 31 May 2005, the proportion of job seekers identified as Highly Disadvantaged (HD) at the time of their referral is shown in Table 1.

**Table 1: Proportion of job seekers identified as Highly Disadvantaged at time of referral**

<b>Year referred</b>	<b>Month referred</b>	<b>Proportion identified as HD</b>
2004	June	19.4%
2004	July	17.2%
2004	August	18.1%
2004	September	18.0%
2004	October	15.5%
2004	November	17.3%
2004	December	17.4%
2005	January	17.9%
2005	February	19.6%
2005	March	21.3%
2005	April	21.9%
2005	May	22.9%

For job seekers commencing up until 30 June 2004, outcome rates for all Intensive Support participants and those identified as Highly Disadvantaged at time of referral are shown in Table 2. Approximately 60% of Interim Outcomes (13 weeks) convert to Final Outcomes (26 weeks).

These outcome rates reflect the first year of the Active Participation Model and will increase as providers have more opportunity to assist job seekers on their caseloads. Note that Final Outcomes may increase as there is a 26 week period from placement to Final Outcome being achieved.

**Table 2: Outcome rates for Intensive Support participants commencing up until 30 June 2004**

	<b>Interim Outcomes</b>	<b>Final Outcomes</b>
Intensive Support participants (all participants)	34.7%	21.2%
Intensive Support participants identified as Highly Disadvantaged at referral	25.2%	14.8%