

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome **4**

DEEWR Question No. EW0226_10

Senator Cash asked on 1 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 61.

Question

New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)

So in terms of the current figure — 4,791 from July 2008 to April 2009 [NEIS Commencements] — how many of those people are classified as long-term unemployed?

Answer

Of the 4791 NEIS Commencements that were made between 1 July 2008 and 30 April 2009, 1302 were unemployed for greater than 12 months prior to commencing in NEIS, which equates to 27 per cent.