# SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION. EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

# QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 3

**DEEWR Questions No. EW0377\_10** 

Senator Mason asked on 4 June 2009, EEWR Hansard page 71-72.

#### Question

Australian Apprenticeships Incentives

Senator Mason – Please provide a list of incentives and Personal Benefits.

#### **Answer**

There are currently 18 incentives available to employers of Australian Apprentices and 4 personal benefits available to Australian Apprentices.

#### Incentives

- Standard Commencement
- Standard Recommencement
- Standard Completion
- Rural and Regional Skills Shortages Commencement
- Group Training Organisations Completion
- Declared Drought Areas Commencement
- Declared Drought Areas Completion
- Innovation Commencement
- Mature Aged Worker Commencement
- Mature Aged Worker Completion
- Securing Australian Apprentices Recommencement
- Securing Australian Apprentices Bonus for Group Training Organisations
- Securing Australian Apprentices Completion
- Australian School Based Apprenticeships Commencement
- Australian School Based Apprenticeships Retention
- Assistance for Tutorial, Mentor and Interpreter Services for Australian Apprentices with a Disability
- Disabled Australian Apprentice Wage Support
- Support For Mid Career Apprentices (depending on Employment Award)

### **Personal Benefits**

- Living Away From Home Allowance
- Commonwealth Trade Learning Scholarship
- Support For Mid Career Apprentices (depending on Employment Award)
- Apprentice Wage Top-Up

Note: The Commonwealth Trade Learning Scholarship and Apprenticeship Wage Top-Up are being replaced by the Tools For Your Trade payment initiative from 1 January 2010.

# Question

# Certificate II Australian Apprentices

Senator Mason – How many Australian apprentices at certificate II and certificate III level training were supported by an employer incentive payment for commencement, first, in 2007-08, and, second, 2008-09?

# Answer

	Australian Appr	Australian Apprentices Supported	
	Certificate II	Certificate III	
2007/08	28,600	127,500	
2008/09	29,100	145,800	