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Question

LOCAL EMPLOYMENT COORDINATORS

Senator CORMANN—Sure, but up to \$517,000 is what you would pay? How many of them are getting the full contract value? Do we know yet? Ms Kidd—No, I do not have the figure here. Senator CORMANN—Can you please provide us with that on notice. Some of them are individuals, some of them are trusts and some of them are companies. How do you select them? How do they get identified? Ms Kidd—We ran a recruitment process. We used Hudsons to help us select local coordinators in each of the priority areas. It was pretty much just like a general staffing recruitment process that you would run. We have employed individuals, but some of them just have company set-ups behind them. In the main, the local employment coordinator is an individual that we have contracted. Senator CORMANN—How many applications have you received for each region? Can you provide us with that on notice?

Answer

No Local Employment Coordinator is receiving a contract value of \$517, 000 (GST-inclusive) over the two-year contract period. The reported contract valuereflects a maximum rather than actual value of each contract over two years.

The table below gives a breakdown of Local Employment Coordinator applications by priority employment area.

	Applications
Ballarat-Bendigo	21
Bundaberg-HerveyBay	25
Caboolture-SunshineCoast	28
Canterbury-Bankstown and South Western Sydney	32
Cairns	16
Central-Coast Hunter	19
Illawarra	31
Ipswich-Logan	40
Mid-NorthCoast	22
North Eastern Victoria	24
North Western Melbourne	22
North West/Northern Tasmania	24
Northern and Western Adelaide	35

	Applications
Port Augusta-Whyalla Pirie	17
Richmond-Tweed and ClarenceValley	22
South Eastern Melbourne	37
South West Perth	26
Southern WideBay Burnett	23
Sydney West and Blue Mountains	17
Townsville-Thuringowa	17