

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace  
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Budget Estimates 2011–2012**

**Outcome 2 - Schools**

**DEEWR Question No.EW0209\_12**

**Senator Nash provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Smarter Schools: Literacy And Numeracy National Partnership**

The dept states around \$41 million is being spent on in Literacy and Numeracy Pilots in Low SES Communities nationally from 2008–09 to 2010–11. There are 30 pilot initiatives that are working with disadvantaged students. • How many of the pilots are taking place in rural, remote and regional areas?

**Answer**

33.9 per cent of the schools participating in the Literacy and Numeracy Pilots werelocated in areas classified as Outer Regional, Remote and Very Remote using the Accessibility/Remoteness Index of Australia (ARIA).