

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

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

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0333_12

Senator Abetz asked on 31/05/2011, Hansard page 33.

Question

JSA - Numbers Of People With A Current Exemption

Senator ABETZ: Out of those the question was how many have a current exemption, but I dare say I should be asking a suspension. Ms Paul: I suspect we will have to take that on notice. Senator ABETZ:

Answer

As at 31 May 2011, there were 234 700 job seekers on the Job Services Australia (JSA) caseload who had been registered for 24 months or more.

Of these, 59 600 were suspended (25.4%)

Of the 59 600 who were suspended from JSA servicing 19 800 had an exemption applied by Centrelink (33.3% of the 59,600 suspended job seekers).

Please refer to EW0321_12 for further information on suspensions and exemptions.