

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

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

**Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy**

**DEEWR Question No.EW0337\_12**

**Senator Abetz asked on 31/05/2011, Hansard page 37.**

**Question**

**JSA - Expectation Of Numbers Of Unpaid Work Experience**

Senator ABETZ: At that time when it first commenced, was there an expectation that by 1 July 2010 there would be X number of people engaged in this? Ms McKinnon: I am not aware of an expectation. Senator ABETZ: If you can take that on notice whether or not there was and then, if so, we can compare how the expectations may have lived up to the reality.

**Answer**

Job Services Australia modelling was based on anticipated job seeker caseload, including work experience as a whole rather than individual categories of work experience activities. Participation in Work Experience Activities such as Unpaid Work Experience Placement activities is demand driven to meet the needs of job seekers.