Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace Relations

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE Budget Estimates 2012-2013

Outcome 3 – Employment

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Question

Job seeker expenditure

Senator CASH: Can you take on notice to provide the maximum amount that has been spent on a job seeker under each stream, as opposed to the average? Ms Drayton: We will take it on notice.

Answer

Between 1 July 2009 and 31 May 2012 the average and maximum amounts of Employment Pathway Fund expenditure on an individual job seeker in each Stream are set out in the following table.

	<u>Average</u> EPF expenditure	Maximum* EPF expenditure on
Stream	per job seeker assisted	an individual job seeker
Stream 1	\$252	\$9,757
Stream 2	\$801	\$24,924
Stream 3	\$1,200	\$28,327
Stream 4	\$1,486	\$28,243

*These figures may overstate individual job seeker expenditure as JSA providers may attribute amounts assisting multiple job seekers, to just one job seeker.