EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome: 2

Output Group: 2.2 Australian Apprenticeships

DEST Question No. E621_07

Senator Wong provided in writing.

Question:

- a. How many Australian Apprentices have received a tool kit? Please provide this data by State/ Territory.
- b. How many Australian Apprentices have cancelled or withdrawn from their apprenticeship after receiving their toolkit? Please provide this data by State/Territory.
- c. Of these apprentices in (b), how many withdrew from their apprenticeship during the period where the toolkit was the property of their employer?

Answer:

Tools For Your Trade initiative Take up and Withdrawal.

a. The table below provides the number of Australian Apprentices who have received a tool kit voucher. The tool kit voucher has a three month expiry period to allow the employer and the Australian Apprentice to make a purchase of tools specific to their trade.

ACT	780
NSW	13,513
NT	507
QLD	12,715
SA	2,973
TAS	1,398
VIC	12,059
WA	6,443
Total	50,388

^{*}Data Source TYIMS Hyperion as at 17/11/2006

b. The number of Australian Apprentices who have received a tool kit voucher and cancelled or withdrawn from their Australian Apprenticeship arrangement after receiving their tool kit is detailed in the table below.

ACT	27
NSW	238
NT	16
QLD	425
SA	71
TAS	18
VIC	398
WA	111
Total	1,304

^{*}Data Source TYIMS Hyperion as at 17/11/2006

c. The number of Australian Apprentices who have received a tool kit and withdrawn while the tool kit is still owned by the employer is detailed in the table below.

ACT	28
NSW	198
NT	10
QLD	266
SA	43
TAS	14
VIC	291
WA	139
Total	989

*Data Source TYIMS Hyperion as at 17/11/2006