

EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

**SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
2008-09 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING**

Outcome 2

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Senator Mason asked on 22 October 2008, EEWR Hansard page 59.

Question

Non-Government Schools Establishment Grants

Senator MASON – Can I ask how much money has been provided through these grants?

Ms Nicoll – Do you mean to each school or in total?

Senator MASON – In total. And can you disaggregate it to each school?

(a) Can you get me the figures for each year since then, disaggregated, in effect, for each year from 2001?

(b) Could you also find this for me: how many schools have accessed these grants in each of the years since the grants were introduced – since 2001?

Answer

(a) Establishment Grants were first introduced in 2001. Attached is a spreadsheet (Attachment A) containing the list of schools which received establishment grants from 2001. The spreadsheet contains the entitlement for each school in its first year (at a rate of \$500 per student) and second year (at a rate of \$250 per student) of operation. It also includes newly commencing non-systemic schools that made an application after 11 May 1999 and were approved with effect from 1999 or 2000, in accordance with transitional arrangements.

(b) Since 2001, a total of 226 schools have received establishment grants. The Table below shows the total number of schools by program year according to the year in which the school was first approved.

Program Year	No. of Schools
2001	58
2002	29
2003	19
2004	27
2005	18
2006	26
2007	30
2008	19