

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SUPPLEMENTARY ESTIMATES 2009-10**

Outcome **4**

DEEWR Question No. **EW482_10**

Senator Cash provided this question in writing.

Question

The selection of the Priority Employment Areas

Why was South West Perth chosen instead of Northern Metropolitan Perth, Lower Western WA or South East Metropolitan Perth?

Was there any recommendation made by DEEWR to the Minister that Barwon-Western Districts should be a Priority Employment Area?

Why is Barwon-Western Districts which has the highest unemployment rate outside Melbourne in Victoria not a Priority Employment Area?

Answer

With respect to the question on South West Perth, please also see the response to Question No. EW454_10.

With respect to the question on Barwon-Western District, this was not one of the recommended Priority Employment Areas.

Barwon-Western District does not currently have the highest unemployment rate outside Melbourne in Victoria.