

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

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
Supplementary Budget Estimates 2012-2013**

**Outcome 2 – Schools and Youth**

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**Senator Nash asked on 18 October 2012 , Hansard page 90**

**Question**

**13 career information centres linked to Centrelink**

Senator NASH: I think there were 13 career information centres linked to Centrelink to be cut, is that correct? Ms McLaren: Yes. They were run by Centrelink and it was a budget decision in the Centrelink portfolio. Senator NASH: Were any of those in rural and regional areas? I am happy for you to take that on notice. Is there any information around how many jobs might have been lost with the closure of those? Ms McLaren: We would not have that information but I would be happy to get that information from Centrelink.

**Answer**

The Department of Human Services is the responsible portfolio for the career information centres. They have provided the following response.

One location was in a rural area (Alice Springs). All other locations were in and around metropolitan areas.

There were no jobs lost as a result of the CIC closures. All staff have been redeployed into other positions within the Department.