

QUESTION ON NOTICE
No. 1850
Asked on Wednesday, 26 November 2008

MR HOPPER asked the Minister for Primary Industries and Fisheries (MR MULHERIN)-

QUESTION:

Will he provide (in table format) the geographical, cultural and gender breakdown of his department's trainees and apprentices, including (a) the percentage that are male and female, (b) the percentage who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and non-English speaking background and (c) the percentage from each region?

ANSWER:

As at 4 December 2008, the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries has two trainees. The details as requested are as follows:

	(a) Gender	(b.1) ATSI	(b.2) NESB	(c) Region
Trainee Full-time	Female	0%	0%	South – 100%
School- Based trainee	Female	0%	0%	South – 100%

The Department has recently advertised 19 school-based traineeship positions, timed to commence with the 2009 school year. The Department will be working closely with the recently announced Agribusiness Gateway Schools to provide meaningful working experiences and training opportunities in Agriculture, Information Technology, Business, Laboratory Skills and Government.

These traineeships are available across Queensland, 9 of these in regional areas, one in the Brisbane suburbs and 9 in Brisbane CBD.

These positions have been advertised broadly on the governments' online website, www.smartjobs.qld.gov.au, to all Queensland schools through the Department of Education, Training and the Arts and through multicultural and indigenous community groups and the Australian Apprentice Centre.