

**Question on Notice**  
**No. 1072**  
**Asked on 17 June 2011**

**Mr Dempsey** asked the Minister for Employment, Skills and Mining (Mr Hinchcliffe) —

QUESTION:

Of all apprentices who have commenced trades in Queensland in the last three financial years, how many have completed their apprenticeship?

ANSWER:

I thank the Member for his question.

Trade apprenticeships are typically four years duration. Therefore, a large proportion of apprentices who commenced training in the previous three years will not yet have completed.

I refer the Member to the table below for apprenticeship completions by calendar year since 2007.

<b>COMPLETIONS</b>	
<b>Year</b>	<b>Apprentices</b>
<b>2007</b>	9298
<b>2008</b>	11304
<b>2009</b>	11151
<b>2010</b>	11842

The Queensland Government has pro-actively introduced a range of measures since 2007 to assist apprentices to complete their training over shorter time periods. It is expected that the full impact of these changes will be reflected in the numbers from the 2011 calendar year on.