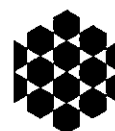


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Dear Mr Eastwood

You asked the following questions in the Assembly, which were due for answer on 2nd May 2013:

- *AQW 21910/11-15 - the financial assistance provided by Invest NI to companies during the 2012/13 financial year, broken down by constituency; and the amount each represents as a percentage of the total financial assistance provided by Invest NI during this period.*
- *AQW 21911/11-15 - the number of new jobs created through inward investment projects supported by Invest NI during the 2012/13 financial year, broken down by constituency; and what each figure represents as a percentage of the total number of new jobs created by inward investment projects during that period.*
- *AQW 21912/11-15 - the number of new jobs created through first time international investors that were supported by Invest NI during the 2012/13 financial year, broken down by constituency; and what each figure represents as a percentage of the total number of new jobs created by first time international investors during that period.*
- *AQW 21913/11-15 - how many of the jobs created by Invest NI in each constituency during the 2012/13 financial year offer a salary which is (i) less than 25 percent above; and (ii) 25 percent or more than the average private sector wage, expressed as a number and a percentage of all the new jobs created by inward investment projects during this period.*

In my response I indicated that I would make the information available to you following a data verification exercise. This exercise has now been completed and the outstanding information is attached at Annex A. I will arrange for a copy of this letter to be sent to the Speaker's Office and that a copy will be placed in the Assembly library.

Yours sincerely

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Annex A

AQW 21910/11-15 - Answer:

The table below shows the amount of financial assistance offered by Invest NI to businesses during 2012/13, broken down by constituency area; and what each represents as a percentage of the total.

Invest NI Assistance Offered by Parliamentary Constituency Area (2012-13)

PCA	Assistance Offered £m	% of total
BELFAST EAST	6.5	6.1%
BELFAST NORTH	3.36	3.1%
BELFAST SOUTH	18.37	17.2%
BELFAST WEST	3.29	3.1%
EAST ANTRIM	3.86	3.6%
EAST LONDONDERRY	2.58	2.4%
FERMANAGH & SOUTH TYRONE	4.93	4.6%
FOYLE	5.16	4.8%
LAGAN VALLEY	4.46	4.2%
MID ULSTER	10.19	9.5%
NEWRY & ARMAGH	3.63	3.4%
NORTH ANTRIM	7.2	6.7%
NORTH DOWN	1.37	1.3%
SOUTH ANTRIM	6.66	6.2%
SOUTH DOWN	2.26	2.1%
STRANGFORD	3.58	3.3%
UPPER BANN	10.62	9.9%
WEST TYRONE	6.77	6.3%
N/A	2.17	2.0%
Total	106.95	100.0%

Notes

1. N/A refers to those businesses that have not yet confirmed a location.

AQW 21911/11-15 - Answer:

The table below presents the number, and percentage, of new jobs promoted by inward-investment projects supported by Invest NI during 2012/13, broken down by Northern Ireland Parliamentary Constituency Area (PCA).

Invest NI New Jobs Promoted by Externally-Owned Clients (2012-13)

PCA	No	%
BELFAST EAST	54	1.9%
BELFAST NORTH	99	3.5%
BELFAST SOUTH	908	32.5%
BELFAST WEST	201	7.2%
EAST ANTRIM	416	14.9%
EAST LONDONDERRY	3	0.1%
FERMANAGH AND SOUTH TYRONE	20	0.7%
FOYLE	200	7.2%
LAGAN VALLEY	32	1.1%
MID ULSTER	137	4.9%
NEWRY AND ARMAGH	70	2.5%
SOUTH ANTRIM	9	0.3%
UPPER BANN	42	1.5%
WEST TYRONE	400	14.3%
N/A	203	7.3%
Total	2,794	100%

Notes

1. N/A refers to those businesses that have not yet confirmed a location.

AQW 21912/11-15 - Answer:

The table below shows the number of new jobs promoted by first-time international investors supported by Invest NI during the 2012/13. These are presented by Parliamentary Constituency Area.

Invest NI New Jobs Promoted by First Time Inward Investors (2012-13)

PCA	No	%
BELFAST EAST	8	1.5%
BELFAST SOUTH	270	51.6%
EAST LONDONDERRY	2	0.4%
NEWRY & ARMAGH	12	2.3%
UPPER BANN	3	0.6%
WEST TYRONE	25	4.8%
N/A	203	38.8%
Total	523	100.0%

Notes

1. N/A relates to those businesses that have not yet confirmed a location for their business.

AQW 21913/11-15 - Answer

The table below provides the number and percentage of jobs promoted by inward-investment projects which offer a salary of (i) above, but less than 25 percent above; and (ii) 25 percent or more above the average private sector wage. The baseline is the Northern Ireland Private Sector Median (NI PSM).

These do **not** include those jobs promoted by the Jobs Fund, since this programme does not have job quality targets. It should also be noted that Invest NI does not have a Programme for Government target to promote jobs with average salaries 25% above the NI PSM. The target only relates to the number above the NI PSM.

Number of Jobs Promoted through Inward-Investment Projects which are (i) above but less than 25% above the NI PSM, and (ii) 25% or more above the NI PSM (2012-13)

	Above but less than 25% Above NI PSM		25% or More Above NI PSM	
	No.	%	No.	%
PCA				
BELFAST EAST	-	-	8	88.9%
BELFAST NORTH	67	97.1%	2	2.9%
BELFAST SOUTH	80	8.8%	737	81.5%
BELFAST WEST	-	-	200	99.5%
EAST LONDONDERRY	-	-	3	100.0%
FERMANAGH AND SOUTH TYRONE	8	40.0%	4	20.0%
FOYLE	-	-	200	100.0%
LAGAN VALLEY	32	100.0%	-	-
MID ULSTER	105	76.6%	12	8.8%
SOUTH ANTRIM	-	-	1	100.0%
UPPER BANN	-	-	5	11.9%
WEST TYRONE	14	3.6%	114	29.2%
N/A	56	28.7%	118	60.5%
Total	362	16.4%	1,404	63.7%

Notes

1. N/A refers to those businesses that have not yet confirmed a location.