

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

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**OUTCOME 11:** Mental Health

**Topic:** Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program

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**Senator:** Senator Fierravanti-Wells

**Question:**

How many organisations registered for the MHNIP claimed the rural and remote loading in 2011-12? What percentage of payments made to organisations in 2011-12 have attracted the rural and remote loading?

**Answer:**

In accordance with data supplied by the Department of Human Services, 69 organisations registered for the Mental Health Nurse Incentive Program (MHNIP) claimed the rural and remote loading from 1 July 2011 to 30 April 2012. For the same period, 11 per cent of payments to organisations attracted the rural and remote loading.