

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO
2012-13 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 2

Question No: 520

Topic: Rent Assistance

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Siewert asked:

At September 2012:

- Provide the number and per cent of Rent Assistance recipients by payment type.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by marital status.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by state and territory.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients who pay enough rent to be eligible for the maximum rate of Rent Assistance.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients in housing stress before and after Rent Assistance.
- Provide the number of sharers by primary payment type.
- Provide the number and per cent of Rent Assistance recipients by payment type who are paying more than 50 per cent of their income in rent.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by marital status who are paying more than 50 per cent of their income in rent.
- Provide the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by state and territory who are paying more than 50 per cent of their income in rent.
- Provide responses to all of the above, by gender and Indigenous status.

Answer:

Point-in-time data as at 7 September 2012 have been used to derive the tables at **Attachment A**.

Table 1 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by payment type, gender and indigenous status, at September 2012.

Table 2 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients by gender and indigenous status, at September 2012.

Table 3 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients who pay enough rent to be eligible for the Maximum rate of Rent Assistance by gender and indigenous status, at September 2012.

Table 4 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients in housing stress before and after Rent Assistance by indigenous status, gender and payment type, at September 2012.

Table 5 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients who are sharing by payment type, gender and indigenous status, at September 2012.

Table 6 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients paying more than 50 per cent of income in rent before and after Rent Assistance by indigenous status, gender and payment type, at September 2012.

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO
2012-13 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Table 7 shows the number and percentage of Rent Assistance recipients paying more than 50 per cent of income in rent before and after Rent Assistance by indigenous status, gender and State, at September 2012.