### **Senate Community Affairs Committee**

# ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

### SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

### **2013-14 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

Outcome Number: 9 Question No: 210

**Topic:** Disability Employment Services & Working Age & Student Payments

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#### **Senator Siewert** asked:

Please provide the latest available breakdowns of recipients of each of NSA, YA(O), PPS, & PPP by:

age (<25, 25-49, 50+); state/territory; sex; duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5yrs +); youngest child under 6 yrs, 6yrs +; principal carer status (including separate data for sole parents) and partial work capacity status for NSA and YA(O) recipients; whether recipients also receive Carer Allowance; and whether they have current earnings.

#### **Answer:**

The following tables set out the breakdown of recipients across NSA, YA(O), PPS & PPP.

Newstart, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Partnered and Parenting Payment Single Recipients by Age – 27 September 2013						
Parenting Parenting Youth Newstart Payment Payment Allowance Age Group Allowance Partnered Single (other) Total						
Under 25	68,073	18,119	52,106	106,042	244,340	
25-49 yrs	402,080	84,543	199,823	N/A	686,446	
50+ yrs	189,676	1,203	3,092	N/A	193,971	
Total	659,829	103,865	255,021	106,042	1,124,757	

Newstart, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Partnered and Parenting Payment Single Recipients by State – 27 September 2013								
State/Territory	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Total			
Australian Capital Territory	5,254	636	2,590	909	9,389			
New South Wales	207,166	35,128	80,579	30,588	353,461			
Northern Territory	11,219	2,661	3,604	2,268	19,752			
Queensland	137,740	21,147	61,263	27,287	247,437			
South Australia	58,163	7,693	19,453	9,487	94,796			
Tasmania	21,160	3,216	7,517	3,901	35,794			
Victoria	163,318	25,509	54,065	22,722	265,614			
Western Australia	55,765	7,782	25,916	8,865	98,328			
Unknown	44	93	34	15	186			
Total	659,829	103,865	255,021	106,042	1,124,757			

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Newstart, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Partnered and Parenting Payment Single Recipients by Gender – 27 September 2013						
Gender	Parenting Parenting Youth Newstart Payment Payment Allowance Allowance Partnered Single (other) Total					
Female	306,782	94,341	242,519	48,953	692,595	
Male	353,047	9,524	12,502	57,089	432,162	
Total	659,829	103,865	255,021	106,042	1,124,757	

Newstart, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Partnered and Parenting Payment Single Recipients by Duration on Income Support – 27 September 2013						
Duration on Income Support	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Total	
<1 year	218,657	24,709	35,104	43,654	322,124	
1- 2 years	106,639	16,375	32,887	18,779	174,680	
2-5 years	148,009	32,183	81,254	39,329	300,775	
5 years +	186,524	30,598	105,776	4,280	327,178	
Total	659,829	103,865	255,021	106,042	1,124,757	

Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) Principal Carer, Parenting Payment Partnered and Parenting Payment Single Recipients by age of youngest child – 27 September 2013						
	Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) Principal Carers		Parenting Payment	Parenting Payment		
Age of Youngest Child	Not Partnered	Partnered	Partnered	Single	Total	
Under 6	176	148	103,857	206,042	310,223	
6 plus	84,984	24,219	<20	np	np	
Unknown	944	365	<20	<20	np	
Total	86,104	24,732	103,865	255,021	469,722	

Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) Recipients with a Partial Capacity to Work of under 30 hours, assessed in the last two years – 27 September 2013					
	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)			
Partial Capacity	128.397	8.144			

Note: Recipients of Parenting Payment, Newstart or Youth Allowance (other) cannot simultaneously receive Carer Allowance, as Carer Allowance is a not a supplementary payment.

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	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Total	
No Earnings	521,578	94,764	190,945	86,178	893,465	
Had Earnings	138,251	9,101	64,076	19,864	231,292	
Total	659,829	103,865	255,021	106,042	1,124,757	

#### **Data Descriptions**

Source: Department of Human Services administrative data

Recipients of Parenting Payment Partnered/Parenting Payment Single/Youth Allowance (other) who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) on the Centrelink payment system.

Recipients of Newstart Allowance who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) on the Centrelink payment system and are not in receipt of CDEP Participation Supplement.

Duration refers to duration on any income support payment and may not reflect duration on current payment type.

Not Partnered recipients are classified as those identified as Single, Not Required, Divorced, Separated, Unknown or Widowed Partnered recipients are classified as those Married, De-Facto and Registered

Earnings refers to employment earnings reported in the last fortnight of the reported period.

NOTE: In order to protect individuals' privacy, populations <20 are reported as ""<20"" and other data that would allow these populations to be derived are not provided ""np"".