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Question

2007 RECIPIENT NUMBERS – NEWSTART ALLOWANCE AND OTHER PAYMENTS

Please provide 2007 figures for Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance, Austudy, Abstudy, Sickness Allowance, Parenting Payment, Widow Allowance.

Answer

Income Support Recipients at end of June 2007

Payment Type	Number of Recipients
Newstart Allowance ¹	417,793
Parenting Payment Single ¹	395,495
Parenting Payment Partnered ¹	144,427
Sickness Allowance ¹	7,624
Partner Allowance ¹	45,988
Widow Allowance ¹	40,247
Youth Allowance (other) ¹	68,698
Youth Allowance (student) ²	263,257
Austudy ²	28,269
Abstudy ²	34,134

¹ Source: Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations 2006–07 Annual Report

² Source: Department of Education, Science and Training2006–07 Annual Report