## SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

# 2006-2007 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 2<sup>ND</sup> NOVEMBER 2006 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

#### **OUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation** 

**Output Group 3.1: Working age policy** 

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**Question Number: W972-07** 

### **Ouestion:**

Senator Wong asked in writing: Of those who have been assessed as eligible, how many have been assessed as eligible on the basis of (a) Having vulnerable dependants? (b) being considered by Centrelink to be exceptionally vulnerable?

#### **Answer:**

Centrelink has advised that of the 221\* job seekers who have been assessed as eligible for Financial Case Management from 01 July to 17 November 2006:

- 208 were eligible because they had vulnerable dependents;
- 13 were eligible because they were considered exceptionally vulnerable.

\*This figure does not include job seekers who are appealing the decision to apply a failure. This is because these job seekers will generally continue to receive payment pending the outcome of their appeal and do not need FCM.