

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
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**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 98**

**Topic:** Income Management in the Northern Territory

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**Senator Siewert** asked:

Provide the numbers and payment types of people in the Northern Territory in the 73 prescribed communities who “transitioned” to voluntary income management:

- after 1 July 2010
- who remained on income management at 1 July 2011, and
- who remained on income management at January 2012.

**Answer:**

- a) Prior to the new model of Income Management being rolled out, there were a total of 17,756 people on NTER income management. As at 1 July 2011, 4,068 of the 17,756 had transitioned to the new model of Income Management and were on the Voluntary measure. See table below for payment breakdown.

<b>Income Support Payment</b>	<b>Customers</b>
Disability Support Pension	2,819
Age Pension	803
Carer Pension	212
Newstart Allowance	104
Widow Allowance	38
Abstudy	33
Parenting Payment Partnered	29
Youth Allowance	<20
Parenting Payment Single	<20
Wifes Pension - Age	<20
Wifes Pension - Disability	<20
Partner Allowance	<20
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,068</b>

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- b) As at 30 December 2011, 3,864 people were on Voluntary Income Management who had previously been on Income Management under the Northern Territory Emergency Response. See table below for payment breakdown.

<b>Income Support Payment</b>	<b>Customers</b>
Disability Support Pension	2,702
Age Pension	782
Carer Pension	205
Newstart Allowance	63
Widow Allowance	36
Abstudy	23
Parenting Payment Partnered	20
Parenting Payment Single	<20
Youth Allowance	<20
Wife Pension - Disability	<20
Wife Pension - Age	<20
Partner Allowance	<20
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,864</b>