

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-238

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders that Require Aged Care

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Senator: Senator Fierravanti-Wells

Question:

At page 9 of the operation of the Aged Care Act, there is a table, table 1. In terms of getting figures, most specifically for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders, in relation to a breakdown of that, is that better put on notice? I am trying to get a handle on the number of people that require care who are of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander background.

Answer:

The number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders receiving aged care services is detailed in a number of tables in chapter 13 of the 2013 Report on Government Services (Table 13A.4).

- Permanent Residential Aged Care: 1,515
- Respite Residential Aged Care: 532
- Community Aged Care Packages: 2,037
- Extended Aged Care at Home: Not published
- Extended Aged Care at Home – Dementia: 55
- Transition Care: 158

Additionally, at 30 June 2012, there were 675 aged care places funded under the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flexible Aged Care Program.