

Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

HEALTH AND AGEING PORTFOLIO

Additional Estimates 13 & 15 February 2013

Question: E13-026

OUTCOME 4: Aged Care and Population Ageing

Topic: Aged Care – Rural, Regional and Other Special Needs Building Fund

Type of Question: Written Question on Notice

Senator: Senator Smith

Question:

- a) What is the total number of applications received for the Rural, Regional and Other Special Needs Building Fund in each of the application rounds to date?
- b) Please provide the information for each financial year, on a State by State basis with a metro/non metro breakdown within each State.

Answer:

- a) The 2012-13 Aged Care Approvals Round (ACAR) is the first time grants have been made available through the Rural, Regional and Other Special Needs Building Fund.

As with previous Aged Care Approvals Rounds, information about the number of applications received by the Department of Health and Ageing is not available for release at this point in the competitive assessment process.

Information on subscription levels will be made available on the Department's website after the assessment process has been completed – this allows the Department to assure the robustness of any data it releases.

- b) The following information on the applications received for capital grants as part of the 2011 ACAR is published on the Department's website. The link is:
<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/ageing-acar2011-index.htm>

2011 ACAR Capital Grant Applications Received by State and Territory

State and Territory	Number of Applications Received
NSW	20
VIC	14
QLD	20
WA	4
SA	10
TAS	9
ACT	1
NT	5
Total	83

This information is available by state and territory for the 2011 ACAR. It is not published for previous ACARs or at the metro/non metro level.