

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2013-14 Additional Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 4

Question No: 374

Topic: Pension Bonus Scheme

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Senator Moore asked:

Please provide the most up to date number of people remaining in the Pension Bonus Scheme by:

- a. age;
- b. state/territory;
- c. electorate;
- d. reported hours worked;
- e. income from employment; and
- f. other payments received.

Answer:

a. Data showing the age distribution of members currently registered in the Pension Bonus Scheme is not available. To be registered in the Pension Bonus Scheme members must have reached the Age Pension qualifying age before 20 September 2009. As of 1 January 2014, the Age Pension qualifying age for both men and women is 65 years.

b. Data outlining the distribution of registered Pension Bonus Scheme members specifically across States and Territories is not available, however, an approximation can be derived from grouping the distribution across Centrelink Area Offices, see table below.

Current Registered Pension Bonus Scheme Members, by State and Territory, December 2013

State	Registered Members
NSW/ACT	13,034
VIC	10,006
QLD	6,740
WA	4,250
SA	2,333
TAS	708
NT	342
Other	155
Total	37,568

- c. This data is not collected.
- d. This data is not collected.
- e. This data is not collected.
- f. This data is not collected.