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ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
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Question No: 417

Topic: Disability Support Pension (DSP)

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Senator Moore asked:

Please provide the latest data on number of recipients of the Disability Support Pension by:

- a. age;
- b. state/territory;
- c. electorate
- d. sex;
- e. Indigenous status;
- f. condition/disability;
- g. duration on payment (<1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+);
- h. number and percentage reporting employment;
- i. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test;
- j. reported hours of work undertaken;
- k. reported income from employment by disability/condition;
- l. reported income from other assets; and
- m. other payments received.

Answer:

The attached tables provide the number of Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients by the categories listed above (except for l. and m. which appear below).

l. Reported income from other assets

The average income from assets of DSP recipients with income from assets was \$44 per fortnight (the average income from assets across all DSP recipients was \$29 per fortnight).

m. Other payments received

The average income from other payments of DSP recipients with income from other payments was \$249 per fortnight (the average income from other payments across all DSP recipients was \$8 per fortnight).

Note 1: 'Income from other assets' includes deemed income from financial investments, income from real estate, business, trusts and companies assets and assessed income from income streams.

Note 2: 'Income from other payments received' is income sourced neither from employment nor assets and may include income from foreign pensions and assessed income from other government payments.