

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2012-13 Budget Estimates Hearings**

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**Question No:** 52

**Topic:** Homelessness Prevention

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**Senator Payne** asked:

On page 58 of the Budget Statement, the numbers targeted in the deliverables are 5,500 cases both in the current budget and across the forward estimates for the homelessness prevention services and 400 cases for families being assisted through homelessness services also. Are those on track to be met in the current year?

**Answer:**

The end of year data for the Reconnect program for the period 2011-12 shows that the Portfolio Budget Statement target of 5,500 individuals assisted has been met.

HOME Advice program data, which addresses the Portfolio Budget Statement target of 400 families assisted, is being recorded manually by services for the 2011-12 period and remains incomplete until all forms are received and processed by FaHCSIA. Based on the currently available data, the HOME Advice program is on track to achieve the target of 400 families assisted for the 2011-12 period, with 303 cases of support provided in the first three quarters of 2011-12.