

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Topic: Disability Support Pension

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Senator Fifield asked:

How many entrants were there to the Disability Support Pension each month between June 2011 and June 2012 that were not receiving the Disability Support Pension in June 2011?

Answer:

The table below provides the number of entrants to the Disability Support Pension (DSP) for each month between June 2011 and May 2012. June 2012 data is not yet available.

Month	Number
June to July 2011	7,681
July to August 2011	6,215
August to September 2011	8,039
September to October 2011	5,835
October to November 2011	5,824
November to December 2011	6,408
December 2011 to January 2012	4,933
January to February 2012	4,138
February to March 2012	5,212
March to April 2012	4,077
April to May 2012	4,776

The table above shows the number of DSP recipients that were not receiving the DSP in the preceding month. To compare each month back to June 2011 would create double counting as the previous month's figures would be a subset of the next.