

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

**Outcome Number:** 5

**Question No:** 359

**Topic:** Carer Income Support

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**Senator Fifield** asked:

Between June 2011 and June 2012, how many people, and what proportion of all Carer Payment recipients, temporarily ceased to provide care under the 63 day allowance for Carer Payment?

**Answer:**

As at May 2012, 8,607 (4.3 per cent) Carer Payment recipients had reported using temporary cessation of care days in 2012. June 2012 data is not yet available.