

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: Disability Support Pension

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Senator Siewert asked:

Of the 75,792 DSP claims that were rejected, can you provide a breakdown of the reasons?

Answer:

The table below provides a breakdown of the 75,792 rejections of Disability Support Pension between April 2012 and March 2013.

Rejection Reason	Number
Not fully Diagnosed, Treated, Stabilised	28,593
Less than 20% impaired	26,132
Fail to reply to correspondence	7,801
Failed to comply with a Program Of Support	2,904
Disability is short term	2,112
Fail to undergo medical exam	1,568
Excess income	1,447
Manifest - temporary	1,087
Not residentially qualified	816
Compensation related	706
Failed agreement specific rules	561
Manifest - not sufficient impairment	220
Withdrawn/Voluntary surrender	193
Manifest - can work 15+ hrs p/w	175
Assets over limit	162
>20% impaired/reskill 15+ hrs p/w	154
>20% impaired/can work 15+ hrs p/w	146
Other	1,015
Total Rejections	75,792