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Topic: Disability Support Pension

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Additional Estimates QoN 287 provides a monthly breakdown of expenditure for DSP recipients. Could you provide a further breakdown of expenditure for those recipients that had a primary medical condition in the psychological/psychiatric category.

Answer:

Information on expenditure on Disability Support Pension (DSP) broken down by the primary medical condition of recipients is not available.

The table below provides estimated expenditure on DSP for recipients with a primary medical condition in the psychological/psychiatric category each month between October 2012 and February 2013 as provided in response to QoN 287. Figures are also provided for each month between March 2013 and May 2013. The estimates are based on the percentage of DSP recipients in the psychological/psychiatric category each month.

Month	\$m (estimated)
October 2012	385.811
November 2012	377.129
December 2012	411.845
January 2013	373.113
February 2013	349.059
March 2013	410.664
April 2013	385.941
May 2013	430.996