Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 5 Question No: 56

Topic: Disability Support Pension **Hansard Page:** 03/06/2013 - CA38

Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

Additional Estimates QoN 290 provides a monthly breakdown of the number of entrants to the Disability Support Pension. Could you provide a further breakdown for the psychological/psychiatric category.

Answer:

The table below provides the number of entrants to the Disability Support Pension with a primary medical condition in the psychological/psychiatric category for each month between October 2012 and February 2013 as provided in the response to QoN 290. Figures are also provided for each month between March 2013 and May 2013.

Month	Number
September to October 2012	1,371
October to November 2012	1,916
November to December 2012	1,289
December 2012 to January 2013	1,432
January to February 2013	1,602
February to March 2013	1,529
March to April 2013	1,519
April to May 2013	1,822