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Senator Wright asked:

How many people with a psychosocial disability have been assessed as having a condition that is not fully treated, diagnosed and stabilised?

Answer:

Of the 124,703 Disability Support Pension claims finalised using the revised Impairment Tables (as at 31 March 2013), 13,370 claims were rejected due to conditions not being fully diagnosed, fully treated and fully stabilised where the primary medical condition was psychological/psychiatric.

This information was obtained from Centrelink administrative claims data provided by the Department of Human Services to monitor the implementation of the revised Impairment Tables.