Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND

INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

2013-14 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Place-based Income Management Trial Sites

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Senator Cash asked:

- 1. What is the current total cost of administering income management in the five trial sites, and can you provide a breakdown of this expenditure by sub-program and program component?
- 2. How many people are being income managed at present in each respective trial site?
- 3. How many of these persons on income management were placed on it voluntarily, and how many were referred by Centrelink or state child protection authorities?

Answer:

- 1. \$117.5 million was allocated over five years in the 2011-12 Federal Budget to administer income management. Breakdown of this funding is found on page 183 of the Budget Measures, Budget Paper No.2, 2011-12. This measure is being administered within budget allocations, and the funding has also been used to cover the cost of the expansion of income management to the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) lands and the Ngaanyatjarra (NG) lands.
- 2. As at 17 May 2013, there are 423 people on income management in the five trial sites:

Location	People on IM (at 17 May 2013)
Bankstown	61
Greater Shepparton	161
Logan	77
Playford	71
Rockhampton	53

3. Of these 423 people, 391 have elected to participate in voluntary income management, 30 have been placed on income management after being assessed as vulnerable by a Centrelink social worker and <20 people were placed on income management after being referred by a child protection authority.