Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

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Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 341

Topic: Breakdown of payments

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Senator Siewert asked:

Please provide the latest available breakdowns of recipients of each of NSA, YA(O), PPS, DSP, Carer Payment & PPP by:

age (<25, 25-49, 50+);

state/territory;

sex;

marital status;

duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5yrs +);

principal carer status (including separate data for sole parents);

for principal carers only - youngest child under 6 yrs, 6 yrs+;

partial work capacity status for NSA and YA(O) recipients;

main impairment for DSP;

whether recipients also receive Carer Allowance;

and whether they have current earnings.

Answer:

The following tables provide the number of recipients as at 28 March 2014 according to the breakdown requested. In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than twenty are reported as "<20".

Please note that some of the information is available at www.data.gov.au.

<u>Table a) Recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment, Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by Age.</u>

Customer Age	Payment Type						
	Newstart	Parenting	Parenting	Youth	Disability	Carer	
	Allowance	Payment	Payment	Allowance	Support	Payment	
		Partnered	Single	(other)	Pension		
< 24	72,451	18,018	52,628	112,896	55,897	10,090	
25-49	419,431	85,538	203,610	0	305,111	94,950	
50+	204,025	1,237	3,268	0	471,525	134,689	
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729	

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<u>Table b) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment, Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by State/Territory.</u>

State			Paymen	t Type		
	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Disability Support Pension	Carer Payment
New South						
Wales	216,370	35,182	81,599	32,446	271,033	92,863
Victoria	171,362	25,963	54,824	23,809	203,472	60,504
Queensland	148,922	21,429	63,039	29,636	166,157	44,209
Western						
Australia	59,107	7,831	26,531	9,389	62,771	13,414
South Australia	61,000	7,760	19,653	10,022	74,706	17,718
Tasmania	21,149	3,160	7,568	4,004	28,382	8,109
Australian						
Capital						
Territory	5,925	721	2,631	1,061	8,787	1,283
Northern						
Territory	12,020	2,670	3,627	2,510	9,540	1,401
Other	52	77	34	<20	7,685	228
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729

<u>Table c) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by Gender.</u>

Gender	Payment Type						
	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Disability Support Pension	Carer Payment	
Males	368,486	9,732	12,977	60,483	441,997	73,906	
Females	327,421	95,061	246,529	52,413	390,536	165,823	
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729	

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<u>Table d) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment, Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by Marital Status.</u>

Marital Status	Payment Type						
	Newstart	O		Youth	Disability	Carer	
	Allowance	Payment Partnered	Payment Single	Allowance (other)	Support Pension	Payment	
Partnered	166,338	104,782	<20	8,480	227,712	140,566	
Single	529,569	<20	259,498	104,416	604,821	99,173	
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729	

<u>Table e) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by duration on Income Support.</u>

Duration on	Payment Type						
Income Support	Newstart Allowance	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)	Disability Support Pension	Carer Payment	
< 1 yr	224,756	25,245	35,247	46,747	34,185	42,857	
1-2 yrs	115,275	16,897	33,771	21,742	30,611	39,030	
2-5 yrs	156,985	31,595	80,694	39,600	123,556	75,639	
5 yrs plus	198,891	31,056	109,794	4,807	644,181	82,203	
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729	

<u>Table f) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other) and Parenting Payment by Principal Carer Status.</u>

Principal Carer Status	Payment Type						
	Newstart Parenting Allowance Payment Partnered		Parenting Payment Single	Youth Allowance (other)			
Principal Carer	114,717	104,793	259,506	79			
Not Principal Carer	581,190	N/A	N/A	112,817			
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896			

Table g) Number of Principal Carers by the Age of the Youngest Child

Youngest Child	Payment Type							
	Newstart Parenting Allowance Payment Partnered		Parenting Payment Single	'				
Under 6 years	253	104,789	209,103	<20				
6 years and over	113,059	<20	np	58				
Unknown	1,405	<20	<20	<20				
Total	114,717	104,793	259,506	79				

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<u>Table h) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (other) by Partial Work Capacity Status.</u>

Partial Work	Payment Type					
Capacity Status	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance(other)				
0 to 7	484	41				
8 to 14	3,075	238				
15 to 22	75,449	3,599				
23 to 29	60,270	5,002				
30+	556,629	104,016				
Total	695,907	112,896				

Table i) Main impairment for Disability Support Pension

	No of
DSP Medical Condition	Customers
Not Coded	664
Acquired Brain Impairment	21269
Amputation	1633
Cancer/Tumour	17118
Chronic Pain	13947
Circulatory System	32683
Congenital Anomalies	12661
Endocrine & Immune System	18214
Gastro-Intestinal System	7139
Granted Prior To 12/11/91	10556
Infectious Diseases	2655
Inherited Disorders	738
Intellectual/Learning	103764
Musculo-Skeletal & Connective Tissue	212969
Nervous System	43265
Poorly Defined Cause	14073
Psychological/Psychiatric	263668
Reproductive System	658
Respiratory System	20229
Sense Organs	22477
Skin Disorder & Burns	924
Urogenital System	5584
Visceral Disorder	5645

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Table j) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment by Carer Allowance Status.

Carer Allowance	Payment Type						
	Newstart	art Parenting Parenting Youth I		Disability	Carer		
	Allowance	Payment	Payment	Allowance	Support	Payment	
		Partnered	Single	(other)	Pension		
Not Receiving							
Carer Allowance	680,265	99,156	241,090	112,636	800,539	14,073	
Receiving Carer							
Allowance	15,642	5,637	18,416	260	31,994	225,656	
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729	

<u>Table k) Number of recipients of Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Disability Support Pension and Carer Payment reporting earnings from employment.</u>

Earnings last fortnight		Payment Type						
	Newstart Parenting		Parenting	Youth	Disability	Carer		
	Allowance	Payment	Payment	Allowance	Support	Payment		
		Partnered	Single	(other)	Pension			
Yes	146,185	9,565	64,277	20,909	67,996	23,904		
No	549,722	95,228	195,229	91,987	764,537	215,825		
Total	695,907	104,793	259,506	112,896	832,533	239,729		

Source: Department of Human Services Administrative Data (DSS Extract)