

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2015-16 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.10 Working Age Payments

Question No: SQ15-000618

Topic: Principal Carers with Earnings

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Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:

Please provide an up-to-date figure of the number of single parents on Newstart (Principal Carers) with earnings and with no earnings (number and percentages).

Answer:

The table below provides the number of single Newstart principal carer recipients as at March 2015 according to the breakdown requested.

Single Newstart Principal Carers	Recipients	Per Cent
With Earnings	42,379	46%
Without Earnings	50,279	54%
Total	92,658	

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