

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Topic: Pensions

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

How many pension recipients have taken advantage of the pension advance payment option since the introduction of the carbon tax on 1 July?

Answer:

From 1 July to 30 September 2012, 60,882 Age Pension recipients were granted one or more pension advance payments.

For comparison, for the equivalent quarter in 2011 (from 1 July to 30 September 2011), 59,511 Age Pension recipients were granted one or more pension advance payments.