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Senator Polley asked: How many providers have applied for the dementia and severe behaviours supplement? Please provide details of services providers and their funding amounts per state/territory. How does this compare with the budget allocation?

Answer:

The Dementia and Severe Behaviours Supplement was introduced on 1 August 2013 and is designed to provide additional financial assistance to approved providers in recognition of the additional costs of caring for residents with severe and complex behavioural and psychological symptoms associated with dementia and other conditions.

The number of providers claiming the Dementia and Severe Behaviours Supplement from 1 August 2013 to 31 October 2013 was 506.

The funding amounts per state/territory from 1 August 2013 to 31 October 2013 are detailed in the following table.

Claim	Total
NSW	\$5,765,712
VIC	\$3,962,152
QLD	\$2,397,726
WA	\$2,462,391
SA	\$1,194,664
RAS	\$866,803
ACT	\$173,193
NT	\$28,311
Service	\$16,850,950

Funding for the Dementia and Severe Behaviours Supplement is included in the appropriation for residential care. In 2013-14 funding for residential care is an estimated \$9.7 billion.