Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

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Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 392

Topic: Newstart

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the average duration of people on Newstart for every year since 2000.

Answer:

Attachment A provides the average duration of Newstart Allowance recipients as at June 2007 to 2014 inclusive. Data on average duration of Newstart Allowance recipients prior to June 2007 are unavailable.

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Attachment A

| Newstart Allowance recipients average duration - As at reported extract dates | |
|---|---|
| Extract Date | Average duration on Newstart Allowance (weeks) |
| 29/06/2007 | 109 |
| 27/06/2008 | 111 |
| 26/06/2009 | 90 |
| 25/06/2010 | 95 |
| 24/06/2011 | 101 |
| 29/06/2012 | 102 |
| 28/06/2013 | 99 |
| 27/06/2014 | 108 |

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