Senate Community Affairs Committee

ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2014-15 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 399

Topic: Newstart

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Senator Brown asked:

For those people who transferred onto Newstart from Parenting Payment Single, please indicate:

- (a) number of people now reporting employment; and
- (b) number of people who have now transferred onto other payments, and which payments.

Answer:

- a. As at 27 June 2014, there were 2,918 Newstart Allowance recipients who had transferred from Parenting Payment Single and were reporting earnings as at the date of their last payment.
- b. **Attachment A** provides the number of Grandfathered Parenting Payment Single recipients who transferred onto Newstart and who have since transferred to other payments, by payment type. In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than twenty are reported as <20.

Attachment A

b) Recipients of Parenting Payment Single who transferred onto Newstart and have since transferred to other payments, by payment type - as at 27 June 2014	
Income Support Payment Type	Recipients
Age Pension	<20
Austudy	163
Bereavement Allowance	<20
Carer Payment	642
Disability Support Pension	219
Parenting Payment Partnered	283
Parenting Payment Single	68
Sickness Allowance	<20
Widow Allowance	<20
Other Payment - Total	1396

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