

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO
2014-15 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 401

Topic: Newstart Allowance

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the projected costs of Newstart Allowance over the forward estimates by month.

Answer:

Total annual expenditure for Newstart Allowance for 2014-15 is published in the Department of Social Services Portfolio Budget Statement 2014-15 on page 82.

The following table provides projected administered expenditure by month for Newstart Allowance for 2014-15.

Month	\$m
July	810.1
August	735.6
September	805.9
October	785.7
November	703.2
December	830.5
January	746.0
February	702.4
March	829.1
April	704.7
May	737.5
June	754.3
Total	9,145.1

Note:

- 1) Projected expenditure is not readily available by month for financial years beyond 2014-15.
- 2) Variations in forecast expenditure can occur due to a variety of reasons, such as policy changes, changes to population and labour market and economic circumstances.