

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 590

Topic: Newstart and Youth Allowance

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Senator Siewert asked:

Provide the current number of Newstart and Youth Allowance recipients (other) on those payments continuously for 24 months or more, by:

1. Age
2. Gender
3. Marital status
4. Partial capacity to work status
5. Principal Carer
6. Indigenous status
7. With at least one 'vulnerability indicator'
8. Whether completed year 10 or equivalent
9. Whether completed year 12 or equivalent
10. State/Territory and capital city/other within each State/Territory.

Answer:

Attachment A provides the number of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) recipients on payment for 24 months or more according to question parts 1-7 and part 10, as at June 2014. Data on question part 8 are not available and data on question part 9 are not available for Newstart Allowance. In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than 20 are reported as "<20" and other data that would allow these populations to be derived are not provided "np".

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Attachment A

1) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by age		
Age Group	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
0-20 years	0	26,171
21-24 years	14,084	10,045
25-29 years	25,124	0
30-34 years	21,762	0
35-39 years	23,473	0
40-44 years	29,114	0
45-49 years	29,017	0
50-54 years	29,183	0
55-59 years	28,287	0
60-64 years	30,971	0
Total	231,015	36,216

2) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by gender		
Gender	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Females	103,713	17,703
Males	127,302	18,513
Total	231,015	36,216

3) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by marital status		
Marital Status	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Partnered	54,848	2,872
Single	176,167	33,344
Total	231,015	36,216

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4) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by work capacity		
Work Capacity	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Capacity to work 30+ hours per week	162,872	31,897
A partial capacity to work	68,143	4,319
Total	231,015	36,216

5) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by principal carer status		
Principal Carer Status	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Non-Principal Carer	209,474	36,194
Principal Carer	21,541	22
Total	231,015	36,216

6) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by indigenous indicator		
Indigenous Indicator	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Non-indigenous	207,202	32,036
Indigenous	23,813	4,180
Total	231,015	36,216

7) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more with one or more vulnerability indicators		
Vulnerability Indicator	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Recipients with one or more vulnerability indicators	54,141	4,993

9) Recipients of Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by Year 12 verification	
Year 12	Youth Allowance (other)
No verified year 12	9,885
Verified year 12	26,331
Total	36,216

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10) Recipients of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) on payment for 24 months or more by Greater Capital City Statistical Area			
State	Greater Capital City Statistical Area	Newstart Allowance	Youth Allowance (other)
Australian Capital Territory	Australian Capital Territory	1,578	331
New South Wales	Greater Sydney	39,997	4,568
New South Wales	Rest of NSW	34,392	6,256
New South Wales	New South Wales Total	74,389	10,824
Northern Territory	Greater Darwin	735	92
Northern Territory	Rest of NT	3,699	353
Northern Territory	Northern Territory Total	4,434	445
Queensland	Greater Brisbane	18,298	3,779
Queensland	Rest of Qld	27,188	4,499
Queensland	Queensland Total	45,486	8,278
South Australia	Greater Adelaide	16,779	2,825
South Australia	Rest of SA	6,694	1,042
South Australia	South Australia Total	23,473	3,867
Tasmania	Greater Hobart	3,177	671
Tasmania	Rest of Tas.	5,519	992
Tasmania	Tasmania Total	8,696	1,663
Victoria	Greater Melbourne	37,605	5,212
Victoria	Rest of Vic.	17,638	3,197
Victoria	Victoria Total	55,243	8,409
Western Australia	Greater Perth	11,594	1,636
Western Australia	Rest of WA	5,939	739
Western Australia	Western Australia Total	17,533	2,375
Other Territories	Other territories	<20	<20
Unknown	Unknown	np	np
Total		231,015	36,216

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