

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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2015-16 Supplementary Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1.11 Student Payments

Question No: SQ15-000870

Topic: Family Assets and Actual Means Tests

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Senator Rachel Siewert asked:

For 2012–13, 2013–14, and 2014–15, how many YA (student) recipients are classified as independent, dependent or exempt from the parental income test by:

- State and territory
- Remoteness area

Answer:

Attachment A provides the number of Youth Allowance (student) recipients as at June 2013, June 2014 and June 2015 according to the breakdown requested.

Attachment A

Youth Allowance (student) recipients by Dependence and Remoteness Area				
	Remoteness Area	Independent	Dependent	Total
Jun-13	Major Cities of Australia	84,686	97,681	182,367
	Inner Regional Australia	17,799	22,554	40,353
	Outer Regional Australia	6,901	9,153	16,054
	Remote Australia	621	621	1,242
	Very Remote Australia	170	164	334
	Not Assigned	462	413	875
	Total	110,639	130,586	241,225
Jun-14	Major Cities of Australia	88,157	91,333	179,490
	Inner Regional Australia	18,135	19,773	37,908
	Outer Regional Australia	7,051	8,035	15,086
	Remote Australia	604	601	1,204
	Very Remote Australia	161	164	326
	Not Assigned	334	305	639
	Total	114,442	120,211	234,653
Jun-15	Major Cities of Australia	85,164	86,941	172,105
	Inner Regional Australia	17,391	19,379	36,769
	Outer Regional Australia	6,685	7,823	14,508
	Remote Australia	574	596	1,170
	Very Remote Australia	151	159	311
	Not Assigned	310	267	578
	Total	110,276	115,166	225,442

Youth Allowance (student) recipients by Dependence and State				
	State/Territory	Independent	Dependent	Total
Jun-13	New South Wales	34,098	46,025	80,123
	Victoria	33,066	41,504	74,570
	Queensland	19,371	19,911	39,282
	South Australia	9,399	10,331	19,730
	Western Australia	8,872	7,695	16,567
	Tasmania	2,943	3,229	6,172
	Northern Territory	367	319	686
	Australian Capital Territory	2,164	1,214	3,378
	Not Assigned	359	358	717
	Total	110,639	130,586	241,225
Jun-14	New South Wales	35,248	41,447	76,695
	Victoria	34,739	37,239	71,978
	Queensland	20,359	20,227	40,586
	South Australia	9,429	9,308	18,737
	Western Australia	8,962	7,703	16,665
	Tasmania	2,875	2,674	5,549
	Northern Territory	373	279	652
	Australian Capital Territory	2,215	1,074	3,289
	Not Assigned	242	260	502
	Total	114,442	120,211	234,653
Jun-15	New South Wales	33,468	39,183	72,651
	Victoria	33,618	35,889	69,507
	Queensland	19,660	20,088	39,748
	South Australia	9,565	9,305	18,870
	Western Australia	8,627	6,682	15,309
	Tasmania	2,689	2,534	5,223
	Northern Territory	333	273	606
	Australian Capital Territory	2,081	991	3,072
	Not Assigned	235	221	456
	Total	110,276	115,166	225,442

Dependent Recipients of Youth Allowance (student) by Remoteness Area and Parental Income Test Exemptions

	Remoteness Area	Exemption Recorded	No Exemption Recorded	Total
Jun-13	Major Cities of Australia	46,582	51,099	97,681
	Inner Regional Australia	8,246	14,308	22,554
	Outer Regional Australia	3,248	5,905	9,153
	Remote Australia	197	425	621
	Very Remote Australia	37	127	164
	Not Assigned	146	266	413
	Total	58,456	72,130	130,586
Jun-14	Major Cities of Australia	41,887	49,447	91,333
	Inner Regional Australia	6,767	13,006	19,773
	Outer Regional Australia	2,507	5,528	8,035
	Remote Australia	186	414	601
	Very Remote Australia	34	130	164
	Not Assigned	91	213	305
	Total	51,472	68,739	120,211
Jun-15	Major Cities of Australia	40,337	46,604	86,941
	Inner Regional Australia	6,924	12,455	19,379
	Outer Regional Australia	2,605	5,218	7,823
	Remote Australia	197	399	596
	Very Remote Australia	49	111	159
	Not Assigned	79	188	267
	Total	50,191	64,975	115,166

Dependent Recipients of Youth Allowance (student) by State and Parental Income Test Exemptions				
	State/Territory	Exemption Recorded	No Exemption	Total
Jun-13	New South Wales	21,468	24,557	46,025
	Victoria	19,024	22,480	41,504
	Queensland	7,677	12,234	19,911
	South Australia	4,941	5,390	10,331
	Western Australia	3,229	4,466	7,695
	Tasmania	1,391	1,838	3,229
	Northern Territory	100	219	319
	Australian Capital Territory	493	721	1,214
	Not Assigned	133	225	358
	Total	58,456	72,130	130,586
Jun-14	New South Wales	18,648	22,799	41,447
	Victoria	16,280	20,959	37,239
	Queensland	7,577	12,650	20,227
	South Australia	4,146	5,162	9,308
	Western Australia	3,126	4,577	7,703
	Tasmania	1,113	1,561	2,674
	Northern Territory	80	199	279
	Australian Capital Territory	426	648	1,074
	Not Assigned	76	184	260
	Total	51,472	68,739	120,211
Jun-15	New South Wales	17,730	21,453	39,183
	Victoria	15,980	19,909	35,889
	Queensland	7,819	12,269	20,088
	South Australia	4,276	5,029	9,305
	Western Australia	2,813	3,869	6,682
	Tasmania	1,076	1,458	2,534
	Northern Territory	76	197	273
	Australian Capital Territory	357	634	991
	Not Assigned	64	157	221
	Total	50,191	64,975	115,166

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