

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

**2015-16 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number: 2.1 Families and Communities      Question No: SQ15-000894**

**Topic: Place-based Vulnerable Youth Income Management Measure**

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**Senator Siewert, Rachel** asked:

Provide details of how many young people in each Bankstown, Logan, Greater Shepparton, Rockhampton and Playford, and in total, are subject to: the Unable to Live at Home, the Vulnerable Youth, and the Special Benefit measure. Provide a breakdown of this group by location, measure, and Indigenous, non-Indigenous status.

How many young people in the Northern Territory are subject to each of the UTLAH, Crisis Payment and Special Benefit Measures?

In 2014-15, how many young people have applied for an “exception” for this measure? How many have been granted? How many since 1 July 2014 have applied for an exception, and how many have not been granted?

**Answer:**

a) Number of people on the Vulnerable Payment Recipient – Youth Trigger Measure by location, trigger and Indigenous status as at 28 August 2015<sup>^</sup>

<b>Trigger</b>	<b>Greater Adelaide (Playford)</b>	<b>Greater Brisbane (Logan)</b>	<b>Greater Sydney (Bankstown)</b>	<b>Rockhampton</b>	<b>Shepparton</b>
Unreasonable to Live at Home	408	689	95	326	97
<i>Consists of:</i>					
<i>Non-Indigenous</i>	352	597	86	229	77
<i>Indigenous</i>	56	92	9	97	20
Combined Crisis Payment and Special Benefit	50	104	26*	37	11*
<i>Consists of:</i>					
<i>Non-Indigenous</i>	34	70		17	
<i>Indigenous</i>	16	34		20	
<b>Total</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>108</b>

*\*Due to small numbers, for privacy reasons, it is not possible to provide the split of Indigenous and non-Indigenous.*

*<sup>^</sup>Any variance from data reported prior to 28 August 2015 is due to a change in reporting method for the income management programme to conform to the Australian Statistical Geography Standard. The data reported is based on the current residential address of income managed customers within designated statistical areas.*

- b) Number of people on the Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient – Youth Trigger Measure in the Northern Territory by trigger type as at 28 August 2015

<b>Trigger</b>	
Unreasonable to Live at Home	216
Combined Crisis Payment and Special Benefit	220
<b>Total</b>	<b>436</b>

- c) In 2014-15 a total of 69 people applied for a Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient – Youth Trigger exclusion and 60 were granted.

Between 1 July 2014 and 28 August 2015, 84 people applied for the Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient – Youth Trigger exclusion and 13 were not granted.