SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10

Outcome 4

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Senator Siewert provided in writing.

Question

Claims for Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (other) recipients with a partial work capacity

Since July 2006, the number of people with partial capacity to work entering Newstart/Youth Allowance (other), including separate data for those who transferred directly from DSP, with state and national breakdowns.

Answer

Table 1 shows the number of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) claims granted for people with a partial capacity to work, from July 2006 to May 2009 inclusive, by State and nationally.

Table 1: Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance claims granted (partial work capacity) by State

(Centrelink Administrative Data – July 2006 to May 2009 inclusive)

Number of claims granted	STATE									
	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	Unknown	National
Newstart Allowance										
All	288	15,152	454	7,839	3,197	1034	10,042	3,116	6	41,128
Transfer from DSP	<20	343	<20	202	92	34	212	85	0	984
Youth Allowance (other)										
All	<20	570	35	422	223	50	274	130	<20	1,721
Transfer from DSP	0	<20	0	<20	<20	<20	<20	<20	0	50