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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

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Senator COONAN—...What was the proportion of people receiving Newstart who live in rural and regional areas? Would you get that figure for me if you have not got it.

Mr Whalan-Let me just check if I can get it quickly. No, we will have to take that on notice.

Answer:

Centrelink does not currently capture management information in relation to how many people receiving Newstart Allowance live in rural or regional areas.

