# Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

## ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE BUDGET ESTIMATES – 29 MAY 2008

## Human Services Portfolio

Department/Agency: Centrelink

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Topic: Financial Case Management

Senator: Siewert

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### Question:

HS27a: How many people receiving eight-week non-payment periods have been offered case management?

HS27b: How many of those have accepted case management?

**HS27c:** Of those offered case management how many had dependant children and how many were considered "exceptionally vulnerable"?

**HS27d:** How many people who have received financial case management are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?

#### Answer:

**HS27a:** For the period 1 July 2007 to 31 March 2008, 3,233 job seekers who incurred one or more eight-week non-payment periods were offered Financial Case Management.

HS27b: Of those, 2,465 accepted the offer of Financial Case Management.

**HS27c:** Of those offered Financial Case Management, 2,849 had vulnerable dependants and 384 were considered to be exceptionally vulnerable.

**HS27d:** For the period 1 July 2007 to 31 March 2008, 266 job seekers who have identified to Centrelink as Indigenous received Financial Case Management.

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