

Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Finance and Administration Portfolio

Department of Human Services and agencies

Supplementary Budget Estimates 2005-2006, 1 November 2005

Question: HS33

Outcome 1, Output 1.1

Topic: Income Support Customers

Written Question on Notice:

SENATOR EVANS asked on 1/11/05:

1. Please provide an update to the 2005 figures provided in the tables in response to question on notice HS 84 from May Estimates.
2. Parenting payment (single) customers
3. For the 2005 calendar year please indicate the number of parents in receipt of parenting payment (single).
4. Please provide a breakdown of how many parents in each state and territory were in receipt of parenting payment (single) in 2005.
5. Please indicate the total number of dependent children of parenting payment (single) recipients in 2005.
6. Please indicate how many of these children were (a) aged under 6, (b) aged between 6 and 12, and (c) between 13 and 16.

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Answer: Question 1

(a) Total number of people receiving the payment

PAYMENT	2005
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART A ¹	1,828,495
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART B ¹	1,396,918
MATERNITY PAYMENT ⁸	228,264
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE ⁸	312
MODIFIED MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	186,560
MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	4,201
PARENTING PAYMENT SINGLE ^{11*}	458,075
PARENTING PAYMENT PARTNERED ^{13*}	174,002
DOUBLE ORPHAN PENSION ⁵	1,278
CARER ALLOWANCE ⁴	340,005
AGE PENSION ^{3#}	1,908,553
DISABILITY SUPPORT PENSION ¹¹	706,782
WIFE PENSION (AGE) ^{3 9}	16,946
WIFE PENSION (DSP) ^{3 9}	28,144
BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE ³	65
WIDOW B PENSION ^{3 #}	839
CARER PAYMENT ³	95,446
NEWSTART ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	464,192
YOUTH ALLOWANCE ^{10 14}	369,108
AUSTUDY PAYMENT ¹⁴	31,611
PARTNER ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	71,617
SICKNESS ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	8,367
WIDOW ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	44,341
MATURE AGE ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	20,881
SPECIAL BENEFIT ²	9,408
MOBILITY ALLOWANCE ¹²	49,215
REMOTE AREA ALLOWANCE ⁷	59,853
CRISIS PAYMENT ⁶	46,580

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(b) Age breakdown of people receiving the payment

PAYMENTS - 2005	12-24YRS	25-34YRS	35-44YRS	45-54YRS	55-64YRS	65-74YRS	75-84YRS	85+YRS
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART A ¹	108,077	565,589	804,639	316,395	29,401	3,715	518	161
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART B ¹	102,804	476,080	591,358	202,823	19,993	3,368	NA	<20
MATERNITY PAYMENT ⁸	39,962	133,897	52,576	1,600	202	NA	<20	-
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE ⁸	<20	170	131	<20	<20	-	-	-
MODIFIED MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	23,551	106,920	53,805	2,006	249	NA	<20	-
MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	776	2178	1167	71	<20	<20	-	-
PARENTING PAYMENT SINGLE ^{11*}	58,841	160,594	175,229	58,474	4,884	50	<20	<20
PARENTING PAYMENT PARTNERED ^{13*}	17,753	61,973	68,784	23,247	2,220	21	<20	<20
DOUBLE ORPHAN PENSION ⁵	90	200	257	311	268	120	NA	<20
CARER ALLOWANCE ⁴	5,852	37,841	79,896	66,817	65,443	46,387	32,847	4,922
AGE PENSION ³	-	-	-	-	124,784	991,379	600,598	191,792
DISABILITY SUPPORT PENSION ¹¹	46,017	71,891	117,819	185,823	278,862	5,913	412	45
WIFE PENSION (AGE) ^{3 9}	-	22	340	2,659	13,598	205	NA	<20
WIFE PENSION (DSP) ^{3 9}	-	324	3,438	11,285	13,066	NA	-	<20
BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE ³	-	<20	<20	28	30	-	<20	-
WIDOW B PENSION ³	-	-	-	-	55	301	332	151
CARER PAYMENT ³	3,425	7,620	17,807	29,599	33,654	2,836	465	40
NEWSTART ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	78,970	126,628	98,520	92,375	67,699	<20	<20	<20
YOUTH ALLOWANCE ^{10 14}	361912	7196	-	-	-	-	-	-
AUSTUDY PAYMENT ¹⁴	-	20,335	7,076	3,463	730	<20	-	-
PARTNER ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	<20	<20	<20	11,948	55,939	2,776	889	64

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SICKNESS ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	1,010	2,084	1,969	2,000	1,304	<20	<20	<20
WIDOW ALLOWANCE ¹⁰ *	<20	<20	<20	7,465	31,996	2,613	1,862	405
MATURE AGE ALLOWANCE ¹⁰ *	<20	<20	<20	<20	20,881	<20	<20	<20
SPECIAL BENEFIT ²	1,252	1,760	1,005	435	286	2,789	1,656	225
MOBILITY ALLOWANCE ¹²	10,698	9,723	10,834	10,023	6,060	1,553	302	22
REMOTE AREA ALLOWANCE ⁷	10,810	12,152	10,488	7,673	7,485	7,381	3,090	774
CRISIS PAYMENT ⁶	<20	12,519	18,662	11,006	3,306	554	NA	NA

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(c) Gender of people receiving the payment

GENDER	2005	
	Female	Male
Payment		
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART A ^{1 +}	1,667,309	161,045
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART B ¹	1,258,152	138,766
MATERNITY PAYMENT ⁸	207,420	20,844
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE ⁸	282	30
MODIFIED MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	172,741	13,819
MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	3,789	412
PARENTING PAYMENT SINGLE ^{11*}	422,693	35,382
PARENTING PAYMENT PARTNERED ^{13*}	155,768	18,234
DOUBLE ORPHAN PENSION ^{5 ++}	1,087	NA
CARER ALLOWANCE ⁴	258,972	81,033
AGE PENSION ³	1,129,130	779,423
DISABILITY SUPPORT PENSION ¹¹	286,709	420,073
WIFE PENSION (AGE) ^{3 9}	16,946	-
WIFE PENSION (DSP) ^{3 9}	28,144	-
BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE ³	NA	<20
WIDOW B PENSION ³	839	-
CARER PAYMENT ³	62,576	32,870
NEWSTART ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	156,961	307,231
YOUTH ALLOWANCE ^{10 14}	198,910	170,198
AUSTUDY PAYMENT ¹⁴	14,418	17,193
PARTNER ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	63,463	8,154
SICKNESS ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	2,696	5,671
WIDOW ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	44,341	-
MATURE AGE ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	1,172	19,709
SPECIAL BENEFIT ²	3,783	5,625
MOBILITY ALLOWANCE ¹²	22,275	26,940
REMOTE AREA ALLOWANCE ⁷	34,385	25,468
CRISIS PAYMENT ⁶	17,593	28,987

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(d) Number of people receiving the payment in each state and territory

PAYMENTS 2005	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	TBA	Overseas
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART A ¹	23,034	578,156	21,314	382,024	144,814	50,867	445,064	182,578	644	-
FAMILY TAX BENEFIT PART B ¹	17,427	448,101	17,895	290,673	106,178	38,245	334,356	143,937	106	-
MATERNITY PAYMENT ⁸	3,600	77,173	3,210	47,331	15,093	5,108	53,910	22,624	215	-
MATERNITY ALLOWANCE ⁸	<20	110	<20	42	<20	<20	89	34	-	-
MODIFIED MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	2,861	60,511	2,049	39,625	13,408	4,469	45,173	18,291	173	-
MATERNITY IMMUNISATION ALLOWANCE ⁸	NA	1,430	108	846	278	65	963	428	<20	-
PARENTING PAYMENT SINGLE ^{11*}	5,210	147,675	6,104	100,385	36,491	13,545	101,611	46,427	627	-
PARENTING PAYMENT PARTNERED ^{13*}	1,585	58,582	3,520	33,912	13,279	5,746	41,422	15,498	458	-
DOUBLE ORPHAN PENSION ⁵	<20	341	26	249	141	34	304	162	<20	-
CARER ALLOWANCE ⁴	3,525	113,289	1,544	66,696	28,570	9,678	88,821	27,777	105	-
AGE PENSION ^{3 ^}	17,584	621,474	6,322	333,965	176,345	53,266	484,573	160,266	3,531	51,227
DISABILITY SUPPORT PENSION ¹¹	7,031	227,624	5,888	135,935	67,564	^25,430	168,898	59,721	302	-
WIFE PENSION (AGE) ^{3 9 ^}	NA	5,391	85	3,123	1,664	557	4,029	1,380	<20	614
WIFE PENSION (DSP) ^{3 9}	129	9,044	95	5,182	2,635	1,207	6,384	2,403	23	1,042
BEREAVEMENT ALLOWANCE ^{3 ^}	<20	21	<20	<20	<20	<20	<20	<20	-	-
WIDOW B PENSION ^{3 ^}	-	<20	-	<20	<20	-	<20	<20	-	799
CARER PAYMENT ^{3 ^}	619	34,343	505	18,792	7,259	3,380	23,943	6,470	78	57
NEWSTART ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	4,421	149,232	13,937	90,526	38,387	15,880	111,812	39,997	-	-
YOUTH ALLOWANCE ^{10 14}	5903	115,463	3,611	68,217	30,242	11,646	99,249	34,776	-	-
AUSTUDY PAYMENT ¹⁴	589	8,616	186	6,583	2,885	1,189	7,748	3,815	-	-
PARTNER ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	313	23,350	203	13,970	6,868	3,112	17,888	5,912	<20	-
SICKNESS ALLOWANCE ¹⁰	104	2,298	40	1,862	752	188	2,342	781	-	-
WIDOW ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	313	14,798	198	9,225	3,211	1,283	11,335	3,978	-	-
MATURE AGE ALLOWANCE ^{10 *}	90	6,523	75	4,776	1,771	922	4,892	1,832	-	-
SPECIAL BENEFIT ²	133	4,867	22	560	645	80	2,631	470	-	-
MOBILITY ALLOWANCE ¹²	548	14,117	235	9,513	5,832	1,595	13,077	4,227	71	-
REMOTE AREA ALLOWANCE ⁷	<20	207	34,854	10,190	1,652	442	98	12,394	<20	-
CRISIS PAYMENT ⁶	571	14,311	1,964	9,674	4,078	1,898	7,205	6,814	65	-

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¹ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows FAO Family Tax Benefit 2004-05 13 (24-06-05) Ver-01

² Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Newstart Population 2005 06 (Jun) (17-06-05) Ver-01. Special Benefit figures are current only and exclude zero paid customers

³ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Pensions 2005 Qtr 2 (10-06-05) Ver-02

⁴ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Carer Allowance 2005 06 (10-06-05) Ver-01 - Note – Health Care Card only recipients are excluded

⁵ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Populations 2005 Qtr 2 (10-06-05) Ver-01

⁶ Source: Cognos Powerplay Crisis Payment cube and includes grants within and outside Standard for the year of 19 November 2004 to 18 November 2005

⁷ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows RAA Populations 2005 05 (Sep - Oct) (04-11-05) Ver-01]

⁸ Source: Mat/MIA data from adhoc SAS calendar year 2005 (11-11-05)

⁹ Note - Wife Pension data has been separated out into Wife Pension (DSP) and Wife Pension (AGE). This is inconsistent with the previous QoN and therefore the data should not be compared

¹⁰ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Newstart Population 2005 06 (Jun) (17-06-05) Ver-01

¹¹ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Pensions 2005 Qtr 2 (10-06-05) Ver-02

¹² Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Populations 2005 Qtr 2 (10-06-05) Ver-01

¹³ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Populations 2005 Qtr 2 (10-06-05) Ver-01

¹⁴ Source: SuperSTAR for Windows Newstart Population 2005 06 (Jun) (17-06-05) Ver-01

These totals exclude the 6,483 Age Pension and 79 Widow B Pension customers paid through DVA.

*This data is derived using slightly different methodology to regular reporting in order to maintain consistency with the data previously provided to answer QON HS84.

^ This figure excludes 8,389 DSP recipients residing permanently overseas

^^ Data for these payments can be compared to previous years by combining the totals for Tasmania and Overseas.

Customers residing overseas permanently or for an extended period of time were previously included in the figures for Tasmania. Point in Time: With the exception of Crisis Payment (see note 6 above), all data supplied is point in time data. This means that the data is reflective of the point in time when the snap shot was taken. The date that the snap shot was taken can be found in the notes above. All snap shot data is taken as at a particular month or quarter depending on the data source.

+ Family Tax Benefit Part A – 141 people receiving this benefit had not specified their gender.

++ Double Orphan Pension - <20 people receiving this benefit had not specified their gender.

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TBA: On the date that the data was extracted a very small number of people in each payment population was in transit for a range of reasons. As a result, Centrelink was to be advised (TBA) by those customers of their new address.

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Answers: Questions 2 - 6

Question 2

Please refer to Question 1, Part (a).

Question 3

Please refer to Question 1, Part (a)

Question 4

Please refer to Question 1, Part (d)

Question 5

There are 784,070 dependent children, aged between 0 –16 years, of Parenting Payment Single recipients.¹⁵

Question 6

The number of dependent children of Parenting Payment Single recipients in 2005, who were aged under 6, aged between 6 and 12 and between 13 and 16 years is as follows:

Year	Children aged 0-5 years	Children aged 6-12 years	Children aged 13 – 16years
2005	269,504	364,357	150,209

* The above data is point in time data as at 24th June 2005. It has been sourced from adhoc SAS reports.

To prepare this answer, it has taken 301 hours and 45 minutes at an estimated cost of \$12,155.

¹⁵ Figures derived from SAS adhoc point in time data as at 24th June 2005.