

Joint Committee on Human Rights inquiry into compulsory income management

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ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Joint Committee on Human Rights inquiry into compulsory income management

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Question:

7. What percentage of those currently subject to compulsory income management are on it pursuant to an individualised assessment of their personal circumstances (and how many)?

Answer:

Income Management (IM)

As at 31 May 2024, 127 IM participants (less than one per cent of all compulsory IM participants) are on IM pursuant to an individualised assessment of their personal circumstances. This is defined as those on IM who are on the Child Protection, Supporting People at Risk, or Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient measures. Further there are 1,974 voluntary IM participants.

Enhanced IM

As at 31 May 2024, 428 enhanced IM participants (3 per cent of all compulsory enhanced IM participants) are on IM pursuant to an individualised assessment of their personal circumstances. This is defined as those on enhanced IM who are on the Child Protection, Supporting People at Risk, or Vulnerable Welfare Payment Recipient measures. Further there are 570 voluntary IM participants and 70 participants in Cape York.