



Recipient numbers and claims on hand for Newstart Allowance, JobSeeker Payment and Youth Allowance (other)
28 February 2020 - 24 April 2020

As at:	Newstart Allowance*		JobSeeker Payment*		Youth Allowance (other)		Total jobseekers
	Number of Recipients	Claims on hand [^]	Number of Recipients	Claims on hand	Number of Recipients	Claims on hand	Total number of recipients
28-Feb-20	730,136	16,293	n/a	n/a	85,736	4,027	815,872
6-Mar-20	732,113	16,542	n/a	n/a	85,756	3,945	817,869
13-Mar-20	727,890	20,017	n/a	n/a	84,884	4,280	812,774
20-Mar-20	n/a	28,946	796,272	6,133	91,624	5,672	887,896
27-Mar-20	n/a	15,189	797,941	169,171	93,399	14,587	891,340
3-Apr-20	n/a	6,207	866,043	298,714	98,479	35,896	964,522
10-Apr-20	n/a	3,189	963,317	388,228	107,003	49,171	1,070,320
17-Apr-20	n/a	2,229	1,085,780	346,727	113,454	54,893	1,199,234
24-Apr-20	n/a	1,737	1,224,555	261,519	121,617	54,341	1,346,172

Data Descriptions/Notes:

*Recipients of Newstart Allowance and JobSeeker Payment include recipients of Bereavement Allowance and Sickness Allowance as these payments have been subsumed into JobSeeker Payment.

[^]Claims on hand, includes legacy claims for Newstart Allowance, Bereavement Allowance and Sickness Allowance.

Recipients of JobSeeker Payment/Newstart Allowance/Sickness Allowance who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) on the Centrelink payment system and not in receipt of a zero rate of payment.

Recipients of Bereavement Allowance/Youth Allowance (other) who are determined to be current (i.e. entitled to be paid) on the Centrelink payment system.

Note: From 20 March 2020, JobSeeker Payment replaced Newstart Allowance as the main income support payment for recipients aged between 22 years to Age Pension qualification age who have capacity to work. Bereavement Allowance closed to new entrants and will cease when all current recipients have completed their bereavement period. Sickness Allowance closed to new entrants and will cease on 20 September 2020.

Note: Newstart Allowance (including Bereavement Allowance and Sickness Allowance) claims reflect claim activities lodged prior to the introduction of JobSeeker Payment on 20 March 2020. Where a Newstart Allowance, Bereavement Allowance or Sickness Allowance claim is granted, the recipient will instead transfer to JobSeeker Payment.

Source: Services Australia Administrative data