Senate Community Affairs Legislation Committee

ADDITIONAL ESTIMATES – 1 MARCH 2018 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Department of Social Services

Topic: Pension Supplement

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Outcome Number: 1.7 Allowances and Concessions for Seniors

Senator: Murray Watt **Type of question:** Written

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Ouestion:

On average, how many Australian pensioners travel overseas each year? On average, how many Australian pensioners spend more than 6 weeks each year overseas?

Answer:

In 2016-17, there were a total of 490,012 departures overseas by Age Pension recipients and 81,543 by Disability Support Pension (DSP) recipients. Of these, 78,887 (16.1 per cent) departures by Age Pension recipients and 10,016 (12.3 per cent) departures by DSP recipients were for more than six weeks.