

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND
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2012-13 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 128

Topic: Age Pension

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Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

How many people received Seniors Supplement at the partnered (couple) rate? How many people who received Seniors Supplement were separated from their partner due to illness, or had a partner in respite care or in prison?

Answer:

In the December quarter 2012 there were 218,723 people receiving the partnered rate of Seniors Supplement.

Exact figures for Seniors Supplement recipients who are separated from their partners due to illness, or who have a partner in respite care or in gaol, are not readily available.