

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Outcome Number: 11

Question No: 625

Topic: Newstart Allowance

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Moore asked:

Please provide the number of single parents on the Newstart Allowance by:

- a. gender;
- b. state/territory;
- c. electorate;
- d. reported income and hours of work undertaken;
- e. type of employment;
- f. other payments received; and
- g. vulnerability indicators.

Answer:

The following tables provide the number of Single Newstart Allowance Principal Carer recipients as at the 27 December 2013 according to the breakdown requested. In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than twenty are reported as "<20".

Table (a) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Gender	
Gender	Recipients
Males	7,969
Females	79,308
Total	87,277

Table (b) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by State/ Territory	
State	Recipients
New South Wales	27,714
Victoria	21,112
Queensland	18,550
Western Australia	8,281
South Australia	7,418
Tasmania	2,608
Australian Capital Territory	698
Northern Territory	895
Unknown	1
Total	87,277

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Table (c) Single Newstart Principal Carers by Electoral Division		
State of Commonwealth Electoral Division (ASGS 2013)	Commonwealth Electoral Division (ASGS 2013)	Newstart Single Principal Carers
Australian Capital Territory	Canberra	344
Australian Capital Territory	Fraser	354
New South Wales	Banks	507
New South Wales	Barton	397
New South Wales	Bennelong	256
New South Wales	Berowra	200
New South Wales	Blaxland	840
New South Wales	Bradfield	153
New South Wales	Calare	705
New South Wales	Charlton	604
New South Wales	Chifley	1037
New South Wales	Cook	376
New South Wales	Cowper	973
New South Wales	Cunningham	574
New South Wales	Dobell	857
New South Wales	Eden-Monaro	536
New South Wales	Farrer	719
New South Wales	Fowler	1152
New South Wales	Gilmore	742
New South Wales	Grayndler	347
New South Wales	Greenway	475
New South Wales	Hughes	403
New South Wales	Hume	520
New South Wales	Hunter	718
New South Wales	Kingsford Smith	381
New South Wales	Lindsay	776
New South Wales	Lyne	773
New South Wales	Macarthur	648
New South Wales	Mackellar	244
New South Wales	Macquarie	578
New South Wales	McMahon	665
New South Wales	Mitchell	230
New South Wales	New England	769
New South Wales	Newcastle	540
New South Wales	North Sydney	129

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New South Wales	Page	881
New South Wales	Parkes	832
New South Wales	Parramatta	549
New South Wales	Paterson	661
New South Wales	Reid	350
New South Wales	Richmond	985
New South Wales	Riverina	615
New South Wales	Robertson	717
New South Wales	Shortland	674
New South Wales	Sydney	247
New South Wales	Throsby	697
New South Wales	Warringah	166
New South Wales	Watson	624
New South Wales	Wentworth	171
New South Wales	Werriwa	718
Northern Territory	Lingiari	608
Northern Territory	Solomon	286
Queensland	Blair	777
Queensland	Bonner	394
Queensland	Bowman	522
Queensland	Brisbane	193
Queensland	Capricornia	567
Queensland	Dawson	575
Queensland	Dickson	433
Queensland	Fadden	722
Queensland	Fairfax	756
Queensland	Fisher	666
Queensland	Flynn	532
Queensland	Forde	734
Queensland	Griffith	299
Queensland	Groom	564
Queensland	Herbert	645
Queensland	Hinkler	893
Queensland	Kennedy	795
Queensland	Leichhardt	963
Queensland	Lilley	417

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Queensland	Longman	839
Queensland	Maranoa	565
Queensland	Mcpherson	845
Queensland	Moncrieff	758
Queensland	Moreton	337
Queensland	Oxley	636
Queensland	Petrie	667
Queensland	Rankin	815
Queensland	Ryan	215
Queensland	Wide Bay	800
Queensland	Wright	611
South Australia	Adelaide	380
South Australia	Barker	789
South Australia	Boothby	420
South Australia	Grey	798
South Australia	Hindmarsh	442
South Australia	Kingston	863
South Australia	Makin	635
South Australia	Mayo	512
South Australia	Port Adelaide	1043
South Australia	Sturt	430
South Australia	Wakefield	1106
Tasmania	Bass	556
Tasmania	Braddon	583
Tasmania	Denison	454
Tasmania	Franklin	438
Tasmania	Lyons	577
Victoria	Aston	451
Victoria	Ballarat	758
Victoria	Batman	495
Victoria	Bendigo	681
Victoria	Bruce	502
Victoria	Calwell	765
Victoria	Casey	598
Victoria	Chisholm	318
Victoria	Corangamite	532

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Victoria	Corio	824
Victoria	Deakin	398
Victoria	Dunkley	769
Victoria	Flinders	735
Victoria	Gellibrand	627
Victoria	Gippsland	785
Victoria	Goldstein	228
Victoria	Gorton	964
Victoria	Higgins	154
Victoria	Holt	812
Victoria	Hotham	521
Victoria	Indi	648
Victoria	Isaacs	550
Victoria	Jagajaga	347
Victoria	Kooyong	113
Victoria	La Trobe	537
Victoria	Lalor	871
Victoria	Mallee	665
Victoria	Maribyrnong	680
Victoria	Mcewen	759
Victoria	Mcmillan	792
Victoria	Melbourne	425
Victoria	Melbourne Ports	187
Victoria	Menzies	256
Victoria	Murray	729
Victoria	Scullin	619
Victoria	Wannon	645
Victoria	Wills	370
Western Australia	Brand	746
Western Australia	Canning	812
Western Australia	Cowan	517
Western Australia	Curtin	173
Western Australia	Durack	688
Western Australia	Forrest	796
Western Australia	Fremantle	542
Western Australia	Hasluck	689

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State of Commonwealth Electoral Division (ASGS 2013)	Commonwealth Electoral Division (ASGS 2013)	Newstart Single Principal Carers
Western Australia	Moore	381
Western Australia	O'Connor	633
Western Australia	Pearce	698
Western Australia	Perth	421
Western Australia	Stirling	508
Western Australia	Swan	447
Western Australia	Tangney	223
Unknown	Unknown	29
TOTAL		87,277

Table (d)(1) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Earnings	
Earnings last fortnight	Recipients
Nil earnings	50,330
\$1 - \$61	460
\$62 - \$235	2,923
\$236 - \$249	324
\$250 Plus	33,240
Total	87,277

Table (d)(2) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Hours Worked Last Fortnight	
Hours worked last fortnight	Recipients
No Hours	50,368
1 - 14 hours	4,146
15 - 29 hours	5,840
30 hours+	26,923
Total	87,277

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Table (e) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Employment Type	
Employment Type	Recipients
Full time non-ongoing employment	<20
Full time ongoing employment	<20
Part time or casual	36,924
Undetermined	50,335
Total	87,277

Table (f) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Supplementary Payment (note: recipients can receive more than one supplement)	
Supplement	Recipients
Carer Allowance	6,634
Clean Energy Supplement	86,724
Double Orphan Pension	115
Drought Force Supplement	20
Family Tax Benefit	85,236
Green Corps Supplement	<20
Skills for Education and Employment Program Supplement	721
Mobility Allowance	83
Pensioner Education Supplement	1,421
Pharmaceutical Allowance	86,911
Remote Area Allowance	1,672
Rent Assistance (paid as a component of Family Tax benefit)	44,006
RJCP Supplement	120
Training Allowance	<20
Training Supplement	<20
Work for the Dole Supplement	1,088
Telephone Allowance	25,364
Income Support Bonus	79,316
Education Entry Payment	2,469

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Table (g) Single Principal Carer Recipients of Newstart Allowance by Vulnerability Indicator (note: recipients can have more than 1 Vulnerability Indicator)	
Vulnerability Indicator	Recipients
Cognitive or Neurological impairment	131
Drug/alcohol dependency which impedes compliance	586
Homeless	396
Illness/injury requiring frequent treatment	2562
Jobseeker in Transition	75
Significant lack of literacy and language skills	488
Nationally approved Vulnerability	<20
Served 8 week NPP in previous 12 months	<20
Psychiatric problem or Mental Illness	6048
Recent traumatic relationship breakdown	180
Released prisoner (in gaol 14 days+)	24
Significant caring responsibilities	540
Total With One or More Vulnerability Indicator	8836

Source: Department of Human Services administrative data