Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2014-15 Additional Estimates Hearings

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Senator Siewert, Rachel asked:

I would like to know how many people are going on and off the Alcohol Mandatory Treatment Tribunal as well.

Answer:

There are currently 196 people on the Supporting People at Risk Measure of Income Management across Australia.

Since commencement, a total of 269 people have been on the measure. These people, on average, have spent 29 weeks on the measure.

Of those who have been on the Supporting People at Risk Measure:

- eleven per cent have subsequently stopped receiving income support payments all together for one month or more; and
- three per cent went on to volunteer for income management once they ceased compulsory income management.

Only seven per cent had a one month gap between multiple notices to income management, indicating a low proportion of people cycling on and off the measure.