

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Question No: 24

Topic: Disability Support Pension

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Senator Wright asked:

Is the Department aware of how many people who are in receipt of the Disability Support Pension (DSP) and aged under 35 have a mental illness?

Answer:

At March 2014 there were 50,997 DSP recipients under the age of 35 with a primary medical condition of Psychiatric/Psychological, noting that persons with other primary medical conditions may also have a mental illness.