

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

**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 79**

**Topic: Disability Support Pension - Review Recipients aged under 35 years**

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**Senator Brown** asked:

In each of the following years, how many existing DSP recipients were medically reviewed, and how many of these had their payments cancelled:

- a. 2008-09
- b. 2009-10
- c. 2010-11
- d. 2011-12
- e. 2012-13
- f. 2013-14 (year to date)

**Answer:**

The following data has been provided by the Department of Human Services.

The table below shows the number of DSP Medical Reviews that were completed and either cancelled or suspended following the review, by financial year. The data is based on reviews completed rather than the number of recipients reviewed.

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b>Completed Review Number</b>	<b>Number Cancelled</b>	<b>Number Suspended</b>	<b>Total Cancelled &amp; Suspended</b>	<b>% Cancelled or Suspended</b>
<b>2008/09</b>	40,619	195	707	902	2.2%
<b>2009/10</b>	30,932	194	421	615	1.9%
<b>2010/11</b>	18,212	232	388	620	3.4%
<b>2011/12</b>	12,204	204	90	294	2.4%
<b>2012/13</b>	2,859	187	53	240	8.4%
<b>2013/14</b>	3,243	74	67	141	4.4%

Data Source: SuperCROSS.