Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 194

Topic: Newstart Allowance

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Senator Collins asked:

- a) How many current DSP recipients on payment and how many receive earnings?
- b) How many DSP recipients report earnings by:
 - i) Main medical condition?
 - ii) Age?
 - iii) Gender?
 - iv) Indigenous status?
- c) What has been the impact of the July 2012 changes to the '30 hour rule' on the earnings of DSP recipients and the number of people with earnings? How is this change being formally evaluated?
- d) Provide breakdown by main medical condition by gender, Indigenous status, by percentages and total numbers.
- e) Please update for 1 January 2014 to 31 March 2014, Additional Estimates, 27 February 2014 Answers on Notice, Department of Human Services, Question HS 158.

Answer:

Please refer to answer to QoN 168.