Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 221

Topic: Stronger Participation for Jobseekers under 30

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Senator Brown asked:

How many new applicants were there for Newstart last year?

Answer:

In the financial year 2012-13 there were 541,440 new recipients of Newstart allowance.

Note: Includes recipients who have transferred from another payment type, have not been on income support recently or are new to income support.

Source: Department of Human Services Administrative Data - Rectangular RED dataset (DSS extract).