Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Family Tax Benefit A - General Questions

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the number and percentage of families on Family Tax Benefit A with outstanding debt who currently have a debt repayment agreement with the Department of Human Services.

Answer:

Information on debt is only available for Family Tax Benefit, and not Family Tax Benefit Part A or Family Tax Benefit Part B separately.

As at 28 March 2014, 197,570 families had outstanding Family Tax Benefit debt and 159,229 (or 81% of this group) have a debt repayment agreement with the Department of Human Services.