

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

Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 380

Topic: Increasing the age of eligibility for Newstart Allowance and Sickness Allowance

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Senator Brown asked:

What is the total number of people that will be shifted off Newstart and/or Sickness Allowance and onto Youth Allowance as a result of this measure?

Answer:

Young job seekers in receipt of Newstart or Sickness Allowance as at 31 December 2014 will remain on these payments while they remain qualified and as such, they will not be transferred to Youth Allowance.