# Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

## **Social Services Portfolio**

# 2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 381

Topic: Non-payment period impact on taking up income support

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## **Senator Siewert** asked:

In each of the forward estimate years, how many people are estimated to avoid applying for income support or to leave income support, as a result of the new non-payment periods? How many of these people are estimated to be:

- (a) Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islanders.
- (b) Already employed.
- (c) Living with their parents.
- (d) Not employed and living away from the parental home.
- (e) Homeless?

#### **Answer:**

The Department has not estimated how many people will avoid applying for income support or will leave income support as a result of the new non-payment periods.