

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

Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 382

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

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Senator Brown asked:

How much worse off a week will those people on Newstart and Sickness Allowance be once they are shifted to Youth Allowance?

a. How much does that amount to per year?

Answer:

Young jobseekers in receipt of Newstart or Sickness Allowance as at 31 December 2014 will remain on these payments, while they remain qualified.