

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

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Question No: 388

Topic: Newstart recipients transferred to YA(O)

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Senator Siewert asked:

How many of these people are affected in each of the forward estimates years by the measure which transfers them to Youth Allowance, and what is their average reduction in payments in each case, broken down by:

- (a) total
- (b) State
- (c) Whether subject to the parental income test
- (d) Single
- (e) Couple
- (f) principal carer of a dependent child.

Answer:

Young jobseekers in receipt of Newstart as at 31 December 2014 will remain on this payment, while they remain qualified and as such, they will not experience a rate reduction.