

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

**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 391**

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

**Hansard Page: Written**

**Senator Brown** asked:

What evidence does the Department have that suggests that giving young people less money per week will assist them to get work?

**Answer:**

Evidence shows that payment design, including payment rates can affect the incentives to work.