

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

**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 515**

**Topic: Newstart Allowance**

**Hansard Page: Written**

**Senator Brown** asked:

Please provide the number and percentage of people on Newstart who exited the payment within three months.

**Answer:**

Of the 115,923 recipients granted Newstart Allowance in the three months between 1 October 2013 and 31 December 2013, the most recent three-month data available, 23.0 per cent or 26,698 had exited payment within three months.

Source: Department of Human Services Administrative Data (DSS Extract)