Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Social Services Portfolio

2014-15 Budget Estimates Hearings

Outcome Number: 1 Question No: 516

Topic: Newstart Allowance

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the number and percentage of people on Newstart who exited income support within 12 months of the Grant.

Answer:

Of the 457,806 recipients granted Newstart Allowance in the twelve months between 1 April 2012 and 31 March 2013, the most recent data available, 65.3 per cent or 299,064 had exited payment within twelve months.

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