

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

**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 599**

**Topic: Disability Support Pension**

**Hansard Page: Written**

**Senator Brown** asked:

Please provide the grant rate for the DSP and the total number of people on the DSP and the total number of people on the DSP each year from 1996 to the most recent data available.

**Answer:**

A time series of numbers of DSP recipients is available from Table 1 of the Characteristics of Disability Support Pension Recipients - June 2013 publication on the DSS website <http://www.dss.gov.au/our-responsibilities/disability-and-carers/publications-articles/policy-research/characteristics-of-disability-support-pension-recipients/characteristics-of-disability-support-pension-customers-june-2013>

The grant rate of DSP is available in Table 26 of that publication from 2006-07 to 2012-13. Earlier grant rates of DSP are not immediately available.