

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 603

Topic: Youth Allowance

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the current number of people in receipt of Youth Allowance by:

- a. age;
- b. state/territory;
- c. sex;
- d. Indigenous/non-Indigenous status;
- e. condition/disability of person for whom they are caring (if available);
- f. duration on payment (>1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5-10, 10+);
- g. number and percentage reporting other employment;
- h. number and percentage of people on part rate due to means test;
- i. reported hours of work undertaken;
- j. reported income from employment;
- k. reported income from other assets; and
- l. other payments received.

Answer:

The following tables provide the number of Youth Allowance recipients as at 28 March 2014 according to the breakdown requested. Note: Youth Allowance includes Youth Allowance (other), Youth Allowance (student) and Youth Allowance (apprentice). In order to protect the privacy of individuals, populations less than twenty are reported as "<20" and other data that would allow these populations to be derived are not provided "np".

Please note that some of the information is available at www.data.gov.au.

Table a) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Age Group	
Customer Age	Recipients
15-19	153,127
20	58,872
21-24	118,270
25 plus	10,221
Total	340,490

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Table b) Recipients of Youth Allowance by State	
State	Recipients
New South Wales	105,341
Victoria	93,041
Queensland	71,042
Western Australia	25,131
South Australia	27,970
Tasmania	9,074
Australian Capital Territory	5,461
Northern Territory	2,864
Unknown	566
Total	340,490

Table c) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Gender	
Gender	Recipients
Males	161,114
Females	179,376
Total	340,490

Table d) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Indigenous Indicator	
Indigenous Indicator	Recipients
Indigenous	20,015
Non-Indigenous	320,475
Total	340,490

Table e) Data regarding the condition/disability of a person for whom Youth Allowance recipients may be caring is unavailable.

Table f) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Duration on Youth Allowance	
Duration on Payment	Recipients
Less Than 1 Year	215,630
1 - 2 Years	49,134
2 - 5 Years	71,948
5 - 10 Years	3,778
Total	340,490

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Table g) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Earnings		
Earnings last fortnight	Recipients	%
Had Earnings	101,631	30
No Earnings	238,859	70
Total	340,490	

Table h) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Rate		
Rate of Payment	Recipients	%
Full Rate	257,707	76
Part Rate	72,202	21
Zero Rate	6,882	2
Undetermined Rate	3,699	0
Total	340,490	

Table i) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Hours Worked Last Fortnight	
Hours worked last fortnight	Recipients
No hours	247,674
1 - 14 hours	25,689
15 - 29 hours	34,355
30 hours +	32,772
Total	340,490

Table j) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Earnings Last Fortnight	
Earnings last fortnight	Recipients
Nil earnings	238,859
\$1 - \$61	2,131
\$62 - \$235	19,628
\$236 - \$249	2,137
\$250 Plus	77,735
Total	340,490

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Table k) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Earnings from Other Sources	
Earnings last fortnight from other sources	Recipients
Nil earnings	152,749
\$1 - \$61	182,385
\$62 - \$235	3,688
\$236 - \$249	123
\$250 Plus	1,545
Total	340,490

Table l) Recipients of Youth Allowance by Supplementary Payments (note: recipients can receive more than 1 supplement)	
Supplement	Recipients
Carer Allowance	823
Clean Energy Supplement	332,237
CDEP Participation Supplement	48
Double Orphan Pension	<20
Drought Force Supplement	26
Family Tax Benefit	996
Green Corps Supplement	<20
Skills for Education and Employment Program Supplement	1,232
Mobility Allowance	198
Pharmaceutical Allowance	13,946
Remote Area Allowance	5,216
Rent Assistance	93,926
RJCP Supplement	604
Work for the Dole Supplement	1,837
Youth Disability Supplement	9,870
Telephone Allowance	5,704
Income Support Bonus	77,526

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