

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Question No: 610

Topic: Disability Support Pension

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Brown asked:

How many people on the Disability Support Pension have been placed in a job and sustained work (13 and 26 weeks) through the Program of support measure?

Answer:

The Program of Support (POS) measure began on 3 September 2011. As at 31 March 2014:

- 445 placements in a job were recorded;
- 309 13-week employment or education outcomes were recorded;
- 199 26-week employment or education outcomes were recorded.

Note

Due to limitations in the data, the Disability Employment Services (DES) 13 and 26 week outcomes cannot be broken down separately for education and employment.

The data that is collected only measures Job Services Australia (JSA) and DES outcomes. Under the POS measure, there are number of other types of placements that can be made, however, the data from these placements is not collected.