

Senate Community Affairs Committee
ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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Question No: 665

Topic: Commonwealth Seniors Health Card

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Senator Brown asked:

Please provide the anticipated number of people that will gain access to the Commonwealth Seniors Health Care Card when the income threshold is indexed.

Answer:

It is estimated that over the forward estimates period an additional 27,000 people (including Department of Veterans' Affairs customers) will qualify for the Commonwealth Seniors Health Card (CSHC) as a result of the measure to index the CSHC income thresholds by the Consumer Price Index.