

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

**Outcome Number: 1**

**Question No: 713**

**Topic: Carer Allowance**

**Hansard Page: Written**

**Senator Brown** asked:

Please provide the percentage and number of primary carers who are receiving payment.

**Answer:**

As at March 2014, there were 586,538 carers who were receiving Carer Allowance. This represents 76.2 per cent of the number of people identified as primary carers in the Australian Bureau of Statistics' 2012 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers.