

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

Outcome Number: 1

Question No: 776

Topic: Numbers on the DSP

Hansard Page: Written

Senator Brown asked:

Does the Department agree that the DSP and Carer Payment are fundamentally different from Newstart Allowance, for example, in that the DSP and Carer Payment is a payment to live on, rather than a payment to see an individual through an interim period of unemployment?

Answer:

The Department agrees that DSP, Carer Payment and Newstart Allowance have different purposes.