Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE SOCIAL SERVICES PORTFOLIO

2017-18 Budget Estimates Hearings

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Topic: Humanitarian Entrants

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Senator Malcolm Roberts asked:

Can you tell me the number of humanitarian entrant households that are the recipient of Centrelink payments, whether the payment is disability, working age family support or any other, after a period of say, one, three and five years?

Answer:

The table shows the number of working age (at arrival) humanitarian refugees who arrived between January 2002 and December 2011, receiving Income Support at a point in time after one, three and five years.

Income Support payment after arrival	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year
Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (Other)	32,930	21,165	16,895
Student Payment - (YA(student) and Austudy)	11,969	10,302	6,076
Parenting Payment (partnered)	8,726	7,856	6,865
Parenting Payment (single)	4,003	4,175	4,341
Carers Payment	1,859	4,065	5,254
Disability Support Pension	1,750	4,197	5,673
Other income support payment	902	644	388