

**Senate Community Affairs Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND**  
**INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO**  
**2011-12 Supplementary Estimates Hearings**

**Outcome Number:** 5

**Question No:** 114

**Topic:** Income Support for Carers

**Hansard Page:** Written

**Senator Siewert** asked:

Over the last two financial years how many people have lost eligibility for Carer Payment because they have ceased caring? (provide a breakdown by age, gender, state and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status).

How many of these people who were former carers found employment during the 2 year period?

**Answer:**

Attached is a table which provides Carer Payment cancellations for 2009-10 and 2010-11 by age group, Indigenous status and gender.

A breakdown is not available by State from the data source used to extract the information.

Information is not available on how many former carers found employment during the two year period as people who leave the income support system are not required to continue to provide the Department of Human Services with information on their circumstances.