

Senate Community Affairs Committee
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Topic: Workforce Participation and Carer Payment Recipients

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Senator Siewert asked:

Please provide a breakdown of Carer Payment (adult and child) recipients earnings by gender, state and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status.

Answer:

The table below provides data on Carer Payment (adult and child) recipients with earnings by gender and state as at June 2011.

State	Male	Female	Total
New South Wales	1,531	4,877	6,408
Victoria	1,199	4,059	5,258
Queensland	851	2,984	3,835
South Australia	382	1,327	1,709
Western Australia	284	1,080	1,364
Tasmania	200	661	861
Northern Territory	11	74	85
Australian Capital Territory	29	96	125
Other *	8	18	26
Australia	4,495	15,176	19,671

* Other includes unknown and overseas recipients

Information on indigenous status by state is not provided due to small cell sizes. However, as at June 2011 nationally there were 472 Carer Payment recipients with earnings who were reported as Indigenous. Of these 107 were male and 365 were female.

These figures reconcile with the Carer Payment figures provided in the FaHCSIA Annual Report 2010-11.