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Outcome Number: 1.11 Student Payments

Question No: SQ15-000869

Topic: Family Assets and Actual Means Tests

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Senator Rachel Siewert asked:

How many YA (student) recipients receive a reduced rate under the parental income test

- Broken down by state and territory and
- by income range and
- by remoteness area (inner regional, major cities, outer regional, remote and very remote)

Answer:

Attachment A provides the number of Youth Allowance (student) recipients as at June 2015 that received a reduced rate under the Parental Income Test (PIT) or Family Actual Means Test (FAMT), by State and Territory and Remoteness Area.

These figures have not been broken down by income range or reason for rate reduction (PIT or FAMT) as it would require a significant diversion of departmental resources.

Attachment A

Recipients of Youth Allowance (student) on a reduced rate due to the PIT or FAMT by State/Territory	
State/Territory	Total
New South Wales	12,069
Victoria	11,502
Queensland	7,118
South Australia	2,915
Western Australia	2,213
Tasmania	949
Northern Territory	131
Australian Capital Territory	390
Not Assigned	72
Total	37,359

Recipients of Youth Allowance (student) on a reduced rate due to the PIT or FAMT by Remoteness Area	
Remoteness Area	Total
Major Cities of Australia	25,882
Inner Regional Australia	7,677
Outer Regional Australia	3,279
Remote Australia	260
Very Remote Australia	59
Not Assigned	202
Total	37,359

Source: Department of Human Services Administrative Data (DSS Extract)