## Senate Community Affairs Committee ANSWERS TO ESTIMATES QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FAMILIES, HOUSING, COMMUNITY SERVICES AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS PORTFOLIO

## **2011-12 Budget Estimates Hearings**

Outcome Number: 5 Question No: 87

**Topic:** Disability Support Pension **Hansard Page:** 2 June 2011, CA 41

## Senator Fierravanti-Wells asked:

What is the average length of time that someone is on DSP for mental health issues?

## **Answer:**

Information on average length of time that someone is on DSP for mental health issues is not available. However, at June 2010 the average duration on income support for DSP recipients with a primary medical condition of psychological/psychiatric was 11.8 years.