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Topic: Disability Support Pension

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Senator Fifield asked: "For that March to March period, of those who left DSP for whatever reason, how many of those people were 35 years or under? How many people went to full-time employment?"

Answer:

Between March 2010 and March 2011, 3,312 people less than 35 years of age* left DSP. Of these 378 transferred to another income support payment, 647 died and 2,287 left the income support system.

Information is not available on how many went to full time employment

* The data provided refers to people under 35 years of age. This is consistent with the DSP participation requirements announced in the 2011-12 Budget.