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

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Question No: 301

Topic: Carer Allowance

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Senator Fifield asked:

Please provide a breakdown of the current number of care receivers who:

- a) Are aged 16 or over where the disability causes substantial function impairment;
- b) Are a dependent child aged under 16.

Answer:

As at June 2011 there were:

- a) 409,279 adult care receivers aged 16 years or over
- b) 154,484 dependent child care receivers aged under 16 years (this figure does not include health care card only child care receivers).