

**SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION
LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

**2004-2005 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
17 FEBRUARY 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and effective labour market assistance

Output Group 1.1: Working Age Payments

Output 1.2.1: Information, referral and support services

Question Number: W198-05

Question:

Senator Wong provided in writing:

Could we have data on the number of recipients breached within the 12 month period then go off incapacitated payments, over the last two years?

Answer:

There is no such payment type as 'incapacitated payment' (see W225-05). Newstart or Youth allowance job seekers with a temporary incapacity can lodge a medical certificate with Centrelink to seek an exemption from their activity test requirements for the duration of the incapacity. No activity test requirements are made of these job seekers during the period of exemption.