

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

**2005-2006 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
16 FEBRUARY 2006
EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO**

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: **Efficient and effective labour market assistance**

Output Group 1.1: **Working Age Payments**

Output 1.1.1: **Working Age Payments and Compliance**

Question Number: **W697-06**

Question:

Senator Evans asked in writing:

- a) For each of the last two financial years (2004-05 and 2005-06 to date), please indicate how many customers received Pensioner Education Supplement.
- b) For each of these financial years please break down the total number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement by (i) State/Territory, (ii) federal electorate, (iii) gender, (iv) age group, and (v) payment type.

Answer:

(a) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) for each of the specified financial years is as follows: (3)

2004 – 05⁽¹⁾	2005 as at 18.11.05⁽²⁾
54,734	53,653

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(b)(i) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) in each State or Territory is as follows:

Financial Year 2004 – 05	Number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES)
Australian Capital Territory	611
New South Wales	18,688
Northern Territory	301
Queensland	10,405
South Australia	5,940
Tasmania	2,194
Victoria	11,583
Western Australia	4,979

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Financial Year 2005 – as at 18.11.05	Number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES)
Australian Capital Territory	624
New South Wales	18,338
Northern Territory	306
Queensland	9,910
South Australia	5,731
Tasmania	2,050
Victoria	11,607
Western Australia	5,066

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(b)(ii) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) in each electorate for each of the specified years is as follows:

Electorate	2005-06	
	2004-05 (1)	as at 18.11.05 (2)
Adelaide Total	447	440
Aston Total	178	221
Ballarat Total	436	429
Banks Total	188	195
Barker Total	374	428
Barton Total	201	200
Bass Total	544	507
Batman Total	312	313
Bendigo Total	633	665
Bennelong Total	181	212
Berowra Total	190	194
Blair Total	413	396
Blaxland Total	206	255
Bonner Total	325	337
Boothby Total	499	514
Bowman Total	342	361
Braddon Total	513	467
Bradfield Total	83	91
Brand Total	446	452
Brisbane Total	331	294
Bruce Total	255	253
Calare Total	504	514
Calwell Total	352	326
Canberra Total	297	258
Canning Total	317	339
Capricornia Total	393	361
Casey Total	296	293
Charlton Total	536	541
Chifley Total	500	509
Chisholm Total	201	211
Cook Total	186	190
Corangamite Total	459	403
Corio Total	626	624
Cowan Total	276	329
Cowper Total	564	618
Cunningham Total	478	502
Curtin Total	224	247
Dawson Total	323	353
Deakin Total	259	249
Denison Total	486	443
Dickson Total	312	302
Dobell Total	451	482
Dunkley Total	356	351
Eden-Monaro Total	331	332
Fadden Total	323	333
Fairfax Total	393	410
Farrer Total	439	401
Fisher Total	375	363

Electorate	2004-05 ⁽¹⁾	2005-06 as at 18.11.05 ⁽²⁾
Flinders Total	209	220
Forde Total	379	386
Forrest Total	443	407
Fowler Total	241	306
Franklin Total	456	429
Fraser Total	386	354
Fremantle Total	403	381
Gellibrand Total	255	253
Gilmore Total	466	499
Gippsland Total	480	524
Goldstein Total	163	172
Gorton Total	243	214
Grayndler Total	295	312
Greenway Total	330	342
Grey Total	400	421
Griffith Total	347	354
Groom Total	440	475
Gwydir Total	285	271
Hasluck Total	332	362
Herbert Total	456	437
Higgins Total	157	184
Hindmarsh Total	440	460
Hinkler Total	441	530
Holt Total	310	332
Hotham Total	187	184
Hughes Total	182	230
Hume Total	358	385
Hunter Total	521	538
Indi Total	489	470
Isaacs Total	227	276
Jagajaga Total	261	273
Kalgoorlie Total	140	155
Kennedy Total	182	210
Kingsford Smith Total	217	246
Kingston Total	723	778
Kooyong Total	119	132
Lalor Total	309	327
LaTrobe Total	246	263
Leichhardt Total	386	405
Lilley Total	398	348
Lindsay Total	399	417
Lingiari Total	46	61
Longman Total	429	442
Lowe Total	130	137
Lyne Total	585	564
Lyons Total	370	350
Macarthur Total	332	417
Mackellar Total	157	156
Macquarie Total	480	474
Makin Total	447	492
Mallee Total	344	317

Electorate	2004-05 ⁽¹⁾	2005-06 as at 18.11.05 ⁽²⁾
Maranoa Total	165	182
Maribyrnong Total	239	230
Mayo Total	359	356
McEwen Total	276	263
McMillan Total	388	383
McPherson Total	366	360
Melbourne Total	410	429
Melbourne Ports Total	238	233
Menzies Total	153	161
Mitchell Total	168	164
Moncrieff Total	316	302
Moore Total	268	238
Moreton Total	326	332
Murray Total	358	353
New England Total	626	663
Newcastle Total	820	816
North Sydney Total	138	154
O'Connor Total	302	341
Oxley Total	426	446
Page Total	700	792
Parkes Total	374	381
Parramatta Total	301	326
Paterson Total	465	487
Pearce Total	336	343
Perth Total	396	382
Petrie Total	437	431
Port Adelaide Total	573	620
Prospect Total	242	261
Rankin Total	467	482
Reid Total	283	351
Richmond Total	604	636
Riverina Total	485	428
Robertson Total	407	423
Ryan Total	259	246
Scullin Total	258	257
Shortland Total	518	507
Solomon Total	234	240
Stirling Total	552	349
Sturt Total	415	426
Swan Total	394	387
Sydney Total	319	329
Tangney Total	254	258
Throsby Total	587	556
Wakefield Total	855	972
Wannon Total	475	474
Warringah Total	121	143
Watson Total	193	215
Wentworth Total	107	133
Werriwa Total	376	375
Wide Bay Total	541	523
Wills Total	286	302

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(b)(iii) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) identified by gender is as follows: (3)

Financial Year	Male PES recipients	Female PES recipients
2004 – 05 (1)	10,979	43,755
2005 as at 18.11.05 (2)	11,147	42,506

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(b) (iv) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) identified by age group is as follows:

Financial Year 2004-05	
Age Groups	
<15yrs	<20
15-19yrs	6,151
20-29yrs	13,225
30-39yrs	16,401
40-49yrs	13,359
50-59yrs	4,753
60yrs +	844

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Financial Year 2005 as at 18.11.05	
Age Groups	
<15yrs	N/A
15-19yrs	6,434
20-29yrs	12,645
30-39yrs	15,797
40-49yrs	13,111
50-59yrs	4,753
60yrs +	913

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(b) (v) The number of recipients of Pensioner Education Supplement (PES) identified by payment types:

Financial Year 2004 - 2005						
Carer Payment	Disability Support Pension	Parenting Payment Single	Special Benefit	Widow Allowance	Wife Pension	Widow B Pension
1,410	20,455	32,355	<20	335	143	<20

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Financial Year 2005 as at 18.11.05						
Carer Payment	Disability Support Pension	Parenting Payment Single	Special Benefit	Widow Allowance	Wife Pension	Widow B Pension
1,468	20,609	31,108	<20	325	120	N/A

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