SENATE EMPLOYMENT, WORKPLACE RELATIONS AND EDUCATION LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

2006-2007 ADDITIONAL SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING 15 FEBRUARY 2007 EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 1: Efficient and Effective Labour Market Assistance

Output Group 1.1: Working age payments

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Question Number: W1117-07

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Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 53: <u>Pensioner Education Supplement</u>. Further to W951-07 please provide an update on these figures for 2006-07 to date for each of the categories. Additionally, please provide the part rate and full rate as a percentage of the total Disability Support Pension and Parenting Payment populations, as at that point.

Answer:

Income Support	Full-rate	Part-rate	% of Population	
Payment			Full-rate	Part-rate
Carer Payment	1,006	230	-	-
Disability Support Pension	17,406	67	2.5%	0.009%
DVA Age Pension	31	-	-	-
Parenting Payment Single	20,364	3,067	4.8%	0.7%
Special Benefit	<20	-	-	-
Widow Allowance	229	< 20	-	-
Wife Pension	75	< 20	-	-
Total	39,113	3,368		

Source: Centrelink administrative data, point in time as at 15 December 2006 for current recipients. Note that recipient numbers are relatively low in December because enrolments are low.