

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

**2005-2006 BUDGET SENATE ESTIMATES HEARING
30 ,31 MAY and 3 JUNE 2005**

EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS PORTFOLIO

QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Outcome 3: Increased workforce participation

Output Group 3.1: Working age policy

Outputs 3.1.1: Working Age Policy and Legislation

Question Number: W002-06

Question:

Senator Wong asked at *Hansard* page 11:

Please provide the figures for the forward estimates period for the DSP, parenting payment and Newstart programs.

Answer:

Special Appropriations for income support payments are entitlement driven. Forward estimates of Special Appropriations are the summation of a range of forecast parameters but do not specify or otherwise limit the actual expenditure to which the Government is committed. As such, estimates of Special Appropriations form part of policy advice to Government and are not available publicly.