

**SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON  
EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND WORKPLACE RELATIONS**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE  
BUDGET ESTIMATES 2009-10**

**Outcome: 4**

**DEEWR Question No. EW0022\_10**

Senator Siewart provided in writing.

**Question**

*Claims for Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (other) recipients who are sole parents*

Since July 2006, the number of sole parents entering Newstart/Youth Allowance (other), including separate data for those whose youngest child reaches 8 years, with state and national breakdowns.

**Answer**

Table 1 shows the number of Newstart and Youth Allowance (other) claims granted for sole parents, from July 2006 to May 2009 inclusive, by State and nationally.

**Table 1: Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance claims granted (sole parents) by State (Centrelink Administrative Data – July 2006 to May 2009 inclusive)**

Number of claims granted	STATE									National
	ACT	NSW	NT	QLD	SA	TAS	VIC	WA	Unknown	
<b>Newstart Allowance</b>										
All	403	13,496	602	11,140	3,133	1,239	9,305	4,611	16	43,945
Youngest child 8 yrs	87	2,587	115	2,070	632	252	1,780	893	0	8,416
<b>Youth Allowance (other)</b>										
All	0	37	<20	35	<20	<20	<20	28	1	134
Youngest child 8 yrs	0	<20	0	<20	0	0	<20	<20	0	<20