

**Senate Standing Committee on Education Employment and Workplace
Relations**

**QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
Budget Estimates 2011-2012**

Outcome 4 - Employment & Participation Policy

DEEWR Question No.EW0373_12

Senator Fifield asked on 31/05/2011, Hansard page 87.

Question

Newstart - Number of Recipients 2008-09

Senator FIFIELD: Could you give me the number of people on Newstart for 2008-09, if you have them to hand? Ms Parker: Only 2009-10. We can provide that, but on notice, 2008-09. Senator FIFIELD: Okay, 2008-09 and 2009-10, you can

Answer

The relevant Annual Reports for the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations show that there were 553 893 recipients of Newstart Allowance as at June 2010 and 520194 recipients as at June 2009.