

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

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

**Outcome 4 - Employment**

**DEEWR Question No.** EW0708\_12

**Senator Siewert provided in writing.**

**Question**

**Outcome 4.4 – Working Age Payments**

Please provide breakdowns of recipients of each of NSA, YA(O), PPS, & PPP by:

- age (<25, 25-49, 50+),
- sex,
- duration on payment (<1yr, 1-2, 2-5, 5yrs +),
- youngest child under 6 yrs, 6yrs + (for PP recipients),
- principal carers & people with partial work capacity (for NSA and YO), and
- whether recipients have current earnings

**Answer**

The requested data is included in the following tables:

- Table 1: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients by age.
- Table 2: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients by sex.
- Table 3: Duration on income support by current payment type for Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients. (Duration on a specified payment comprises the continuous period of time a recipient has been on their current payment and previous income support payments.)
- Table 4: Parenting Payment Single and Partnered recipients by age of youngest Parenting Payment Child
- Table 5: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other) recipients who are Principal Carers
- Table 6: Newstart Allowance and Youth Allowance (other) recipients with Partial Capacity to Work
- Table 7: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients with current earnings.

**Table 1: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients by age**

Payment	Age group	Population
Newstart Allowance	<25	77 919
	25 to 49	296 332
	50+	138 441
Youth Allowance (other)	<25	79 347
	25 to 49	N/A
	50+	N/A
Parenting Payment Single	<25	52 255
	25 to 49	257 571
	50+	12 530
Parenting Payment Partnered	<25	18 445
	25 to 49	95 000
	50+	3183

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 2: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients by sex**

Payment	Sex	Number
Newstart Allowance	Male	303 268
	Female	209 424
Youth Allowance (other)	Male	41 340
	Female	38 007
Parenting Payment Single	Male	15 468
	Female	306 888
Parenting Payment Partnered	Male	9960
	Female	106 668

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 3: Duration on income support by current payment type for Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients**

Payment	Duration on income support			
	< 1 year	1 to <2 years	2 to <5 years	5+ years
Newstart Allowance	188 417	86 865	131 698	105 712
Youth Allowance (other)	33 616	17 822	27 753	156
Parenting Payment Single	34 456	33 616	77 426	176 858
Parenting Payment Partnered	23 535	17 321	31 659	44 113

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 4: Parenting Payment Single and Partnered recipients by age of Youngest Parenting Payment Child**

Payment	Age of Youngest Child	
	< 6 years	6+ years
Parenting Payment Single	202 760	119 586
Parenting Payment Partnered	102 864	13 754

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 5: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other) recipients who are Principal Carers**

Payment	Number
Newstart Allowance	40 576
Youth Allowance (other)	55

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 6: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other) recipients with Partial Capacity to Work**

Payment	Number
Newstart Allowance	88 600
Youth Allowance (other)	4339

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data

**Table 7: Newstart Allowance, Youth Allowance (other), Parenting Payment Single and Parenting Payment Partnered recipients with current Earnings**

Payment	Population
Newstart Allowance	95 235
Youth Allowance (other)	13 332
Parenting Payment Single	110 618
Parenting Payment Partnered	13 970

Source: DEEWR Extract - as at 26 August 2011 - Centrelink Administrative data