

Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Centrelink

Budget Estimates 2007-08 - May 2007

Question: HS59

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Topic: Centrelink – Financial Case Management

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SENATOR SIEWERT asked on 24/05/2007:

1. How many people receiving 8 week non-payment periods have been offered case management?
2. How many of those have accepted case management?
3. Of those offered case management how many had dependent children and how many were considered “exceptionally vulnerable”?
4. How many people who have received financial case management are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people?

Answer:

1. As at 1 June 2007, 1,000 job seekers serving an eight-week non-payment period had been offered Financial Case Management.
2. As at 1 June 2007, 772 job seekers had accepted the offer of Financial Case Management.
3. As at 1 June 2007, of the 1,000 job seekers offered Financial Case Management, 928 were parents and 72 were assessed as being exceptionally vulnerable.
4. As at 1 June 2007, 65 job seekers who identify as being Indigenous have received payments through Financial Case Management.