

# Senate Standing Committee on Finance and Public Administration

## BUDGET ESTIMATES – 27 MAY 2010 ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

### Human Services Portfolio

**Topic:** Number of CSA payees (women and men)

**Question reference number:** HS6 (a-b)

**Senator:** FIFIELD (HS6a); COLLINS (HS6b)

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#### Question:

**Senator FIFIELD**—How many child support payees—men and women—are there?

**Ms Godwin**—We probably have that number, but in general terms it is roughly the same. It is about 750,000 receiving parents.

**Senator JACINTA COLLINS**—What is the distribution of new entrants since the time you could more reliably identify gender?

**Ms Godwin**—I would have to take that on notice.

#### Answer:

##### HS6(a) response:

As at 31 May 2010, there are 768,604 receiving parents involved in cases that are either active, or ended with debt.

GENDER	Receiving Parent	
	Count	%
Female	655,112	85.23%
Male	100,191	13.04%
Unknown	13,301	1.73%
<b>Total</b>	<b>768,604</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

(Excludes new cases where gender was not recorded)

##### HS6(b) response:

- Since 1 July 2006 25.5 per cent of all new registrations had a male receiving parent, while 74.5 per cent had a female receiving parent. This is compared to the 2009-10 financial year where 23.2 per cent of all new registrations had a male receiving parent and 76.8 per cent had a female receiving parent.