

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Legislation Committee**

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

**Finance and Administration Portfolio**

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Supplementary Estimates Hearings - 1 November 2005

**Question: F8**

**Outcome 1, Output 1.1**

**Topic: CSS Benefits Payments - Charles Darwin University**

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**Senator Crossin asked:**

Can you also tell me perhaps how many Commonwealth CSS members you would have at the university these days? Also, how many would have been able to access their lump sum payments since April of last year?

**Answer:**

Charles Darwin University has 32 contributing CSS members.

Seven members have exited the CSS since April last year. Five of these were age retirement benefits where a pension or part pension/lump sum was claimed.

Two members ceased on resignation and preserved their benefits.

In all cases, except for the preserved benefits, the member had signed the statutory declaration on the benefit application form to declare they had retired from the workforce.