

**Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee**  
**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**  
**SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 21 OCTOBER 2008**

**Human Services Portfolio**

**Department/Agency:** Centrelink  
**Outcome/Output Group:** Outcome 1/Output 1.1  
**Topic:** Family Tax Benefit Part A

**Senator:** Bernardi  
**Question reference number:** HS6

**Type of question:** Hansard F&PA 128

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**Question:**

**HS6: Senator BERNARDI**—That might be interesting. What percentage of Family Tax Benefit A recipients get their payment as a lump sum with their tax return at the end of the year?

**Ms Thomas**—That is probably not a figure I am in receipt of at this point.

**Senator BERNARDI**—Are you able to take it on notice and supply it to us?

**Ms Thomas**—I could take it on notice. It could be something that you could refer to the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs.

**Senator BERNARDI**—I will tomorrow, but I am happy for you to take it on notice too in case they try and say I should be referring it to Centrelink, which sometimes happens in estimates.

**Ms Thomas**—I can take it on notice and I can certainly talk with them about getting you the information.

**Answer:**

**HS6:** For the 2006-07 financial year, seven per cent of Family Tax Benefit Part A recipients received their payment as a lump sum through the taxation system.

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