Senate Finance and Public Administration Standing Committee

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES – 20 October 2009 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Human Services Portfolio

Topic: Centrelink Debt

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Question:

What is the amount of Centrelink overpayments recovered in 2007/08, broken down by income support payment type, including FTB?

Answer:

Customer Payment Group	Recovery Amount (\$m)
Age Pension	85.5
Age Pension Related Payments	0.9
Disability Support & Sickness Allowance	100.0
Disability & Sickness Related Payments	19.4
Newstart Allowance	159.2
Newstart Related Payments	6.6
Youth Jobseeker	19.1
Youth Student, Apprentice & Austudy	79.7
Abstudy	9.8
Assistance to Isolated Children	0.9
Youth & Student Related Payments	2.8
Family Tax Benefit	38.3
Child Care Assistance	14.0
Family Related Payments	2.0
FAO Reconciliation	440.5
Parenting Payment	146.8
Parenting Related Payments	3.8
Special Circumstances	7.1
Recovered on behalf of other agencies	2.8
Other	0.2
Total	1,139.4

Source: Debt Stock & Flow Report June 2008