

Estimates Committee 2014
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From:Ms Lynne Walker to Hon Matthew Conlan
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Answer:
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Question: On how many occasions were the individual personal circumstances of elderly and sick tenants considered before rents were increased?

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Answer: For the 2013-14 financial year, as at 31 March 2014, 353 urban public housing tenants were ineligible. Of the 353 ineligible tenants, 248 paid full market rent as determined by the Australian Valuation Office.

196 of the 353 ineligible tenants were senior citizens (over 55). Of these, 140 paid full market rent.

All ineligible tenants are given the opportunity to contact the Department of Housing to have their personal circumstances reviewed and where required, the Department assists by linking ineligible tenants with alternate housing providers.