

## **Senate Select Committee on COVID-19**

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#### **ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE**

Services Australia

**Topic:** Child Care Subsidy - Debt Notices

**Question reference number:** IQ20-000093

**Member:** Katy Gallagher

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**Question:**

How many families have now had their child care subsidy reconciliation completed for the 2018/19 financial year? How many child care subsidy debt notices have been sent to families for the 2018/19 financial year (both as a numerical figure and as a percentage of families reconciled)

**Answer:**

At 27 March 2020, 968,211 customers have had their Child Care Subsidy reconciliation completed for 2018/19 financial year.

134,554 (13.9%) customers have had a recoverable debt raised, with notices issued.

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#### Question:

What is the amount of total debt raised as a result of the child care subsidy 2018/19 balancing and reconciliation process? Please provide a breakdown by state and territory.

#### Answer:

At 27 March 2020, the total debt raised as a result of the Child Care Subsidy 2018/19 balancing and reconciliation process is \$136.76 million.

Child Care Subsidy debts by state and territory:

State	Total debt raised
ACT	\$3.21M
NSW	\$50.69M
NT	\$1.55M
QLD	\$25.37M
SA	\$5.60M
TAS	\$1.49M
VIC	\$36.26M
WA	\$12.42M
Unknown*	\$178,000
Total	\$136.76M

\* An 'Unknown' status occurs where the customer has either an overseas or undetermined address.