

Senate Select Committee on COVID-19

INQUIRY INTO THE AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

ANSWER TO QUESTION ON NOTICE

Services Australia

Topic: Follow up to QoN IQ20-000153 - Fortnightly Update on Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment

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Question:

In relation to the answer to QoN IQ20-000118, please provide a fortnightly update, from the week commencing Monday 3rd August, to the Committee of:

- a) how many applications were made for the Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment for Victoria (the Payment)
- b) how many applications for the Payment were approved
- c) what was the total value of Payments
 - i. approved and
 - ii. paid during this period

Answer:

Weekly data for the Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment is provided below.

	Fortnight	Number of Claims Received	Number of Claims Approved	Total Value of Payments Made
Week 1	5 ¹ August – 6 August	1,083	83	\$124,500.00
Week 2	7 August – 13 August	3,899	3,640	\$5,460,000.00
Week 3	14 August – 20 August	2,092	1,959	\$2,938,500.00
Week 4	21 August – 27 August	1,275	1,185	\$1,777,500.00

¹ Payment commenced on the 5th of August following the Prime Minister's announcement on the 3rd of August.

	Fortnight	Number of Claims Received	Number of Claims Approved	Total Value of Payments Made
Week 5	28 August – 3 September	923	1,034	\$1,551,000.00
Week 6	4 September – 10 September	572	787	1,180,500.00
Week 7	11 September – 17 September	378	424	\$636,000.00
Week 8	18 September – 24 September	490	474	\$711,000.00
24 Sept 2020 Week 8 Cumulative Total		10,712	9,586	\$14,379,000.00