

## 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 IQ20-000118 - Fortnightly Update on Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment

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**Member:** Katy Gallagher

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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:

- how many applications were made for the Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment for Victoria (the Payment)
- how many applications for the Payment were approved
- 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.

	<b>Fortnight</b>	<b>Number of Claims Received</b>	<b>Number of Claims Approved</b>	<b>Total Value of Payments Made</b>
Week 1	5 <sup>1</sup> – 6 August 2020	1,083	83	\$124,500.00
Week 2	7 – 13 August 2020	3,899	3,640	\$5,460,000.00
Week 3	14 – 20 August 2020	2,092	1,959	\$2,938,500.00
Week 4	21 – 27 August 2020	1,275	1,185	\$1,777,500.00
27 August 2020 Week 4 Cumulative Total		<b>8,349</b>	<b>6,867</b>	<b>\$10,300,500.00</b>

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