

**Table 14(b): Safety Net Card Issues - Number of Cards, 2002 to 2007**

<b>MONTHLY COMPARISON 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006 and 2007</b>													
<b>No OF CARDS (cumulative per month)</b>		<b>JAN</b>	<b>FEB</b>	<b>MAR</b>	<b>APR</b>	<b>MAY</b>	<b>JUN</b>	<b>JUL</b>	<b>AUG</b>	<b>SEP</b>	<b>OCT</b>	<b>NOV</b>	<b>DEC</b>
<i>General Safety Net</i>	<b>2002</b>	7	77	426	2,399	9,209	20,618	39,441	61,583	86,156	114,208	140,832	177,159
	<b>2003</b>	1	64	444	2,237	8,708	19,796	39,488	62,815	90,864	121,138	149,434	189,047
	<b>2004</b>	2	48	525	3,092	11,229	26,556	49,211	78,190	109,447	140,971	174,531	200,311
	<b>2005</b>	8	53	365	2,582	10,151	24,319	44,686	72,771	103,020	134,891	168,475	212,411
	<b>2006</b>	6	24	252	1,393	6,976	18,404	36,188	60,992	87,741	118,152	150,118	192,734
	<b>2007</b>	3	21	253	1,475	7,223	15,609						
<i>Concessional Safety Net</i>	<b>2002</b>	22	415	3,655	20,584	70,167	139,612	239,043	343,030	445,801	556,234	652,558	775,211
	<b>2003</b>	8	324	3,571	19,162	66,782	135,796	240,806	347,212	464,213	579,420	680,297	813,337
	<b>2004</b>	21	321	4,271	24,729	79,388	167,120	278,187	401,306	521,242	635,033	747,133	829,714
	<b>2005</b>	14	311	3,488	23,377	81,229	171,078	277,872	404,702	526,277	642,067	755,175	892,059
	<b>2006</b>	7	186	2,457	12,915	57,424	132,739	231,442	351,027	464,798	582,450	694,992	831,157
	<b>2007</b>	6	208	2,550	14,606	62,654	121,203						
<i>#Supplementary</i>	<b>2002</b>	5	40	217	890	2,756	5,078	7,999	10,875	13,602	16,415	18,583	20,907
	<b>2003</b>	0	18	218	889	2,760	5,150	8,721	12,213	15,744	18,791	21,395	24,054
	<b>2004</b>	2	17	223	1,306	3,823	7,344	11,345	15,541	19,225	22,395	25,319	27,126
	<b>2005</b>	2	21	221	1,328	3,987	7,854	12,233	17,214	21,613	25,487	28,575	31,576
	<b>2006</b>	2	15	157	738	3,013	6,654	11,375	16,397	21,038	25,540	29,719	33,750
	<b>2007</b>	1	15	189	1,019	3,937	7,020						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2002</b>	34	532	4,298	23,873	82,132	165,308	286,483	415,488	545,559	686,857	811,973	973,277
	<b>2003</b>	9	406	4,233	22,288	78,250	160,742	289,015	422,240	570,821	719,349	851,126	1,026,438
	<b>2004</b>	25	386	5,019	29,127	94,440	201,020	338,743	495,037	649,914	798,399	946,983	1,057,151
	<b>2005</b>	24	385	4,074	27,287	95,367	203,251	334,791	494,687	650,910	802,445	952,225	1,136,046
	<b>2006</b>	15	225	2,866	15,046	67,413	157,797	279,005	428,416	573,577	726,142	874,829	1,057,641
	<b>2007</b>	10	244	2,992	17,100	73,814	143,832						

# SAFETY NET CARDS ISSUED DUE TO REMOTE FAMILY MEMBERS OR ON LOSS OF THE ORIGINAL CARD

Source: Medicare Australia (RSN002)

Table 14(c): Safety Net Card Issues- Percentage Change, 2002 to 2007

<b>CUMULATIVE TOTAL SAFETY NET CARD ISSUES</b>												
	<b>2002</b>		<b>2003</b>		<b>2004</b>		<b>2005</b>		<b>2006</b>		<b>2007</b>	
	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>No.</b>	<b>% Change</b>
JAN	34	88.89	9	-73.53	25	177.78	24	-4.00	15	-37.50	10	-33.33
FEB	532	11.06	406	-23.68	386	-4.93	385	-0.26	225	-41.56	244	8.44
MAR	4,298	2.26	4,233	-1.51	5,019	18.57	4,074	-18.83	2,866	-29.65	2,992	4.40
APR	23,873	24.61	22,288	-6.64	29,127	30.68	27,287	-6.32	15,046	-44.86	17,100	13.65
MAY	82,132	25.05	78,250	-4.73	94,440	20.69	95,367	0.98	67,413	-29.31	73,814	9.50
JUNE	165,308	21.26	160,742	-2.76	201,020	25.06	203,251	1.11	157,797	-22.36	143,832	-8.85
JUL	286,483	18.98	289,015	0.88	338,743	17.21	334,791	-1.17	279,005	-16.66		
AUG	415,488	14.68	422,240	1.63	495,037	17.24	494,687	-0.07	428,416	-13.40		
SEP	545,559	12.95	570,821	4.63	649,914	13.86	650,910	0.15	573,577	-11.88		
OCT	686,857	11.15	719,349	4.73	798,399	10.99	802,445	0.51	726,142	-9.51		
NOV	811,973	9.25	851,126	4.82	946,983	11.26	952,225	0.55	874,829	-8.13		
DEC	973,277	16.01	1,026,438	5.46	1,057,151	2.99	1,136,046	7.46	1,057,641	-6.90		

Source: Medicare Australia (RSN002)