

Table 12(a): Safety Net Card Issues - Persons Covered, 2003 to 2008

MONTHLY COMPARISON 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008													
No OF PEOPLE (cumulative each Month)		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
General Safety Net	2003	2	118	913	4,716	18,001	41,097	81,956	130,835	189,662	251,872	309,951	388,470
	2004	4	116	1,060	6,401	23,052	54,490	101,357	160,079	224,070	287,873	355,853	406,950
	2005	14	105	746	5,316	21,006	50,205	92,048	150,078	212,929	278,811	347,239	435,505
	2006	11	43	526	2,859	14,200	37,879	74,609	126,100	181,214	243,423	308,105	392,923
	2007	9	51	530	2,991	14,682	36,813	73,799	124,661	177,210	241,144	302,601	383,183
	2008	2	40	352	2,749	12,570	32,806						
Concessional Safety Net	2003	15	471	6,866	36,091	123,083	245,827	426,519	605,363	797,715	981,714	1,139,972	1,341,819
	2004	38	626	8,354	47,061	145,915	299,957	489,965	692,038	885,845	1,064,758	1,237,305	1,362,093
	2005	25	623	6,750	44,142	149,698	308,258	490,356	701,372	897,320	1,080,361	1,256,569	1,465,534
	2006	12	384	4,803	24,890	107,506	243,619	416,192	618,182	804,320	992,225	1,168,378	1,375,097
	2007	11	429	5,126	28,213	117,494	253,233	430,472	633,546	813,285	1,007,832	1,177,521	1,373,069
	2008	21	447	3,661	27,873	108,897	240,159						
#Supplementary	2003	0	47	503	1,949	5,907	10,950	18,906	26,444	34,126	40,774	46,532	52,407
	2004	10	47	503	2,806	8,028	15,370	23,839	32,635	40,548	47,422	53,838	57,872
	2005	7	63	500	2,842	8,427	16,557	25,806	36,471	46,012	54,548	61,415	68,161
	2006	5	33	346	1,589	6,323	13,934	23,903	34,638	44,623	54,365	63,449	72,377
	2007	5	37	426	2,226	8,378	17,165	28,409	40,769	50,744	62,086	71,083	79,975
	2008	2	49	332	2,285	8,537	18,163						
<b>TOTAL</b>	2003	17	636	8,282	42,756	146,991	297,874	527,381	762,642	1,021,503	1,274,360	1,496,455	1,782,696
	2004	52	789	9,917	56,268	176,995	369,817	615,161	884,752	1,150,463	1,400,053	1,646,996	1,826,915
	2005	46	791	7,996	52,300	179,131	375,020	608,210	887,921	1,156,261	1,413,720	1,665,223	1,969,200
	2006	28	460	5,675	29,338	128,029	295,432	514,704	778,920	1,030,157	1,290,013	1,539,932	1,840,397
	2007	25	517	6,082	33,430	140,554	307,211	532,680	798,976	1,041,239	1,311,062	1,551,205	1,836,227
	2008	25	536	4,345	32,907	130,004	291,128						

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

Source: Medicare Australia (RSN003)