

Table 12(b): Safety Net Card Issues - Number of Cards, 2003 to 2008

MONTHLY COMPARISON 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008													
No OF CARDS (cumulative per month)		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
General Safety Net	2003	1	64	444	2,237	8,708	19,796	39,488	62,815	90,864	121,138	149,434	189,047
	2004	2	48	525	3,092	11,229	26,556	49,211	78,190	109,447	140,971	174,531	200,311
	2005	8	53	365	2,582	10,151	24,319	44,686	72,771	103,020	134,891	168,475	212,411
	2006	6	24	252	1,393	6,976	18,404	36,188	60,992	87,741	118,152	150,118	192,734
	2007	3	21	254	1,477	7,228	18,054	36,135	61,156	86,956	118,573	149,128	190,408
	2008	1	21	176	1,362	6,193	16,103						
Concessional Safety Net	2003	8	324	3,571	19,162	66,782	135,796	240,806	347,212	464,213	579,420	680,297	813,337
	2004	21	321	4,271	24,729	79,388	167,120	278,187	401,306	521,242	635,033	747,133	829,714
	2005	14	311	3,488	23,377	81,229	171,078	277,872	404,702	526,277	642,067	755,175	892,059
	2006	7	186	2,457	12,915	57,424	132,739	231,442	351,027	464,798	582,450	694,992	831,157
	2007	7	209	2,555	14,622	62,704	137,796	239,283	359,729	469,678	592,316	701,995	832,446
	2008	11	218	1,842	14,519	57,946	130,444						
#Supplementary	2003	0	18	218	889	2,760	5,150	8,721	12,213	15,744	18,791	21,395	24,054
	2004	2	17	223	1,306	3,823	7,344	11,345	15,541	19,225	22,395	25,319	27,126
	2005	2	21	221	1,328	3,987	7,854	12,233	17,214	21,613	25,487	28,575	31,576
	2006	2	15	157	738	3,013	6,654	11,375	16,397	21,038	25,540	29,719	33,750
	2007	1	16	196	1,041	3,988	8,219	13,565	19,445	24,102	29,372	33,567	37,666
	2008	1	21	149	1,081	4,094	8,723						
<b>TOTAL</b>	2003	9	406	4,233	22,288	78,250	160,742	289,015	422,240	570,821	719,349	851,126	1,026,438
	2004	25	386	5,019	29,127	94,440	201,020	338,743	495,037	649,914	798,399	946,983	1,057,151
	2005	24	385	4,074	27,287	95,367	203,251	334,791	494,687	650,910	802,445	952,225	1,136,046
	2006	15	225	2,866	15,046	67,413	157,797	279,005	428,416	573,577	726,142	874,829	1,057,641
	2007	11	246	3,005	17,140	73,920	164,069	288,983	440,330	580,736	740,261	884,690	1,060,520
	2008	13	260	2,167	16,962	68,233	155,270						

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

Source: Medicare Australia (RSN002)