

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2022**

**Question**

“Will the Minister provide details of –

- (a) the number of special payments made under the Income Support Scheme and the total amounts paid, broken down by year over the past 10 years, and
- (b) the number and amounts paid in grants and loans for larger one-off items of expenditure during the same period, broken down by –
  - (i) essential household equipment;
  - (ii) rental deposits;
  - (iii) removal expenses;
  - (iv) medical needs; and
  - (v) funeral expenses?”

**Answer**

Information on special payment expenditure is publicly available online through the Open Data website at <https://opendata.gov.je/dataset/cls-income-support/resource>

The recorded numbers for 2011 and 2012 differ slightly from the formats used in subsequent years. This means that the tables for these years in part (b) of the question do not separate out grants and loans.

The data for 2021 will be released by the end of November. The below tables therefore cover the period from 2011-2020.

A)

**Income Support Special Payments paid under the Income Support (Special Payments) (Jersey) Regulations 2007**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Number of special payments made</b>	<b>Total amounts paid (£000)</b>
2011	2439	1420
2012	2560	1522
2013	2301	1209
2014	2354	1570
2015	2589	1196
2016	1961	1025
2017	1095	738
2018	1321	1057
2019	861	674
2020	733	685

There are a small number of additional payments made in 2013 and 2018 that are recorded separately from the categories that were used to generate this answer. There are fewer than 10 claims in each category and the total amounts paid for each category is less than £2000.

B) The following tables break down the amounts for grants and loans for the specified categories

Year Ending	Special Payment Category	Total Number of Payments in Year	Total Number of Payments as Grants in Year	Total Number of Payments as Loans in Year	Total Annual Value £000
31/12/2011	Essential household equipment	531	N/A		181
31/12/2012	Essential household equipment	535	N/A		197
31/12/2013	Essential household equipment	497	491	<10	182
31/12/2014	Essential household equipment	491	480	11	210
31/12/2015	Essential household equipment	459	343	116	218
31/12/2016	Essential household equipment	246	<10	245	141
31/12/2017	Essential household equipment	209	<10	208	132
31/12/2018	Essential household equipment	212	0	212	133
31/12/2019	Essential household equipment	180	<10	175	130
31/12/2020	Essential household equipment	149	13	136	138

Year Ending	Special Payment Category	Total Number of Payments in Year	Total Number of Payments as Grants in Year	Total Number of Payments as Loans in Year	Total Annual Value £000
31/12/2011	Rental deposit	202	N/A		187
31/12/2012	Rental deposit	227	N/A		165
31/12/2013	Rental deposit	249	0	249	243
31/12/2014	Rental deposit	289	<10	282	343
31/12/2015	Rental deposit	272	<10	267	325
31/12/2016	Rental deposit	187	<10	186	248
31/12/2017	Rental deposit	177	<10	176	229
31/12/2018	Rental deposit	136	0	136	217
31/12/2019	Rental deposit	149	<10	148	256
31/12/2020	Rental deposit	117	<10	117	201

Year Ending	Special Payment Category	Total Number of Payments in Year	Total Number of Payments as Grants in Year	Total Number of Payments as Loans in Year	Total Annual Value £000
31/12/2011	Removal expenses	49	N/A		8
31/12/2012	Removal expenses	40	N/A		7
31/12/2013	Removal expenses	35	35	0	7
31/12/2014	Removal expenses	51	50	<10	11
31/12/2015	Removal expenses	63	41	22	13
31/12/2016	Removal expenses	28	0	28	8
31/12/2017	Removal expenses	19	<10	18	3

31/12/2018	Removal expenses	21	<10	18	4
31/12/2019	Removal expenses	10	<10	<10	3
31/12/2020	Removal expenses	10	0	10	3

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31/12/2011	Medical expenses	<b>1623</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>991</b>
31/12/2012	Medical expenses	<b>1733</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>1097</b>
31/12/2013	Medical expenses	1493	1364	129	732
31/12/2014	Medical expenses	1491	1301	190	950
31/12/2015	Medical expenses	1744	1567	177	550
31/12/2016	Medical expenses	1465	1305	160	561
31/12/2017	Medical expenses	660	550	110	317
31/12/2018	Medical expenses	901	790	111	601
31/12/2019	Medical expenses	473	380	93	187
31/12/2020	Medical expenses	414	356	58	252

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31/12/2011	Funerals	<b>34</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>53</b>
31/12/2012	Funerals	<b>25</b>	<b>N/A</b>		<b>56</b>
31/12/2013	Funerals	27	27	0	45
31/12/2014	Funerals	32	32	0	56
31/12/2015	Funerals	51	49	<10	90
31/12/2016	Funerals	35	35	0	67
31/12/2017	Funerals	30	30	0	57
31/12/2018	Funerals	51	51	0	102
31/12/2019	Funerals	49	49	0	98
31/12/2020	Funerals	43	43	0	91