

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th OCTOBER 2009**

Question

“Would the Minister advise the Assembly of the total amount paid in Income Support for the last 12 months, and indicate how much has been paid in relation to additional benefits such as cold weather payments and GST offset?”

Answer

For the purpose of my response I have taken the 12 month period to 30th September 2009.

For this period, £82,170,000 has been expended against Income Support. This total includes residential care and transition benefits. The total also includes £379,000 for cold weather payments.

GST Bonus is a separate benefit not included within Income Support and £350,000 has been expended in the same 12 month period.