WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12th MAY 2020

Question

Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the number of claimants of the Covid Related Emergency Support Scheme (C.R.E.S.S.) scheme in each of the following cases?

- (a) Single claimants working in Jersey for more than 6 months, with and without dependent children;
- (b) Cohabiting claimants working in Jersey for more than 6 months, with and without dependent children;
- (c) Single claimants working in Jersey for less than 6 months, with and without dependent children; and
- (d) Cohabiting claimants working in Jersey for less than 6 months, with and without dependent children.

Answer:

The Covid Related Emergency Support Scheme (C.R.E.S.S.) is a temporary support scheme that has been set up to provide financial support to unemployed workers who have not lived in Jersey long enough to qualify for Income Support.

This response has been collated from the information used to generate customer payments issued on 05/05/2020, assessed and processed on the 29/04/2020. Due to the method of collation, these figures differ slightly from the figures provided in the Statistics Jersey Economic Indicators report published on 8 May.

The length of residency can be different where there are two adults on a claim. The categories included in the answer have been adjusted slightly to reflect these different household situations.

Household type		Number Claims Paid		
		With Child(ren)	Without Child(ren)	Total
a)	Single claimant working in Jersey for more than 6			
	months, with and without dependent children;	8	149	157
b)	Cohabiting claimants, with at least one partner			
	working in Jersey for more than 6 months, with			
	and without dependent children;	24	49	73
c)	Single claimant working in Jersey for less than 6			
	months, with and without dependent children; and	4	57	61
d)	Cohabiting claimants with neither partner working			
	in Jersey for at least 6 months but at least one			
	partner working in Jersey for less than 6 months,			
	with and without dependent children.	5	12	17