

PQ 28224 (2025) What is the number of, and amount spent on, hardship payments approved for emergency dental care for each quarter since September 2024, broken down by ethnicity, age band, gender, and payment recoverability?

Table 21: Number of grants and amount granted for Emergency Dental Care from 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025

by quarter, recoverable type

Quarter ending / Recoverable			Number of grants	Amount granted
Emergency Dental	September 2024	Non-Recoverable	22,959	\$16,461,651
		Recoverable	10,086	\$8,391,608
		Quarter total	33,045	\$24,853,259
	December 2024	Non-Recoverable	19,824	\$14,066,482
		Recoverable	8,574	\$7,031,943
		Quarter total	28,398	\$21,098,425
	March 2025	Non-Recoverable	20,553	\$14,545,952
		Recoverable	9,330	\$7,672,622
		Quarter total	29,883	\$22,218,574

General Notes:

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Amount granted is not necessarily the amount spent.

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Table 22: Number of grants and amount granted for Emergency Dental Care from 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025*by quarter, age group*

Quarter ending / Age group			Number of grants	Amount granted
Emergency Dental	September 2024	17	9	\$5,849
		18-19	792	\$607,442
		20-24	3,621	\$2,942,624
		25-29	4,149	\$3,510,546
		30-34	3,981	\$3,265,754
		35-39	3,327	\$2,552,324
		40-44	2,706	\$2,045,386
		45-49	2,388	\$1,764,396
		50-54	2,541	\$1,835,841
		55-59	2,382	\$1,651,623
		60-64	2,352	\$1,541,224
		65+	4,794	\$3,130,251
		Quarter total	33,045	\$24,853,259
	December 2024	17	12	\$9,889
		18-19	660	\$508,185
		20-24	3,090	\$2,529,600
		25-29	3,462	\$2,836,614
		30-34	3,345	\$2,687,220
		35-39	2,883	\$2,248,948
		40-44	2,358	\$1,789,846
		45-49	1,989	\$1,433,531
		50-54	2,202	\$1,543,684
		55-59	2,118	\$1,405,761
		60-64	2,166	\$1,457,939
		65+	4,113	\$2,647,208
		Quarter total	28,398	\$21,098,425
	March 2025	16	3	\$1,395
		17	6	\$6,045
		18-19	732	\$545,560
		20-24	3,183	\$2,566,392
		25-29	3,789	\$3,138,790
		30-34	3,534	\$2,814,891
		35-39	3,132	\$2,415,605
		40-44	2,457	\$1,875,565
		45-49	2,067	\$1,479,093
		50-54	2,097	\$1,494,966
		55-59	2,085	\$1,401,817
		60-64	2,247	\$1,501,296
		65+	4,548	\$2,977,159
		Quarter total	29,883	\$22,218,574

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Table 23: Number of grants and amount granted for Emergency Dental Care from 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025
by quarter, gender

Quarter ending / Gender			Number of grants	Amount granted
Emergency Dental	September 2024	Gender Diverse	174	\$132,501
		Female	19,800	\$14,899,931
		Male	13,071	\$9,820,828
		Quarter total	33,045	\$24,853,259
	December 2024	Gender Diverse	123	\$98,001
		Female	17,157	\$12,795,728
		Male	11,118	\$8,204,696
		Quarter total	28,398	\$21,098,425
	March 2025	Gender Diverse	168	\$133,344
		Female	18,189	\$13,501,903
		Male	11,520	\$8,583,327
		Quarter total	29,883	\$22,218,574

Gender Note:

From 2 December 2019, The Ministry of Social Development has three options to record a client's or child's gender: Male, Female or Gender Diverse.

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Table 24: Number of grants and amount granted for Emergency Dental Care from 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025*by quarter, total response ethnicity*

Quarter ending / Total Response Ethnicity			Number of grants	Amount granted
Emergency Dental	September 2024	Māori	10,878	\$8,672,802
		European	16,644	\$12,089,250
		Pacific Peoples	3,807	\$3,054,479
		Asian	2,097	\$1,458,284
		Middle Eastern/Latin American/African	1,041	\$734,291
		Other ethnicity	1,203	\$869,759
		Not specified	2,001	\$1,557,780
		Quarter total	33,045	\$24,853,259
	December 2024	Māori	9,006	\$7,067,901
		European	14,265	\$10,351,004
		Pacific Peoples	3,375	\$2,585,719
		Asian	1,920	\$1,334,007
		Middle Eastern/Latin American/African	963	\$704,375
		Other ethnicity	1,074	\$768,496
		Not specified	1,815	\$1,366,653
		Quarter total	28,398	\$21,098,425
	March 2025	Māori	9,630	\$7,634,043
		European	15,231	\$10,982,778
		Pacific Peoples	3,615	\$2,764,547
		Asian	1,875	\$1,323,528
		Middle Eastern/Latin American/African	780	\$537,205
		Other ethnicity	1,041	\$727,189
		Not specified	1,839	\$1,370,379
		Quarter total	29,883	\$22,218,574

Total Response Ethnicity Notes:

Ethnicity data is self-identified and multiple ethnicities may be chosen by an individual as fits their preference or self-concept.

Total response ethnicity means that if a person identifies with more than one ethnic group, they are counted in each applicable group.

Because a client can choose more than one ethnic response, the total number of ethnic responses will be greater than the number of clients.

'Not Specified' is where ethnicity is not recorded.

'Other ethnicity' is where ethnicities fall outside the reported ethnicities.

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