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Executive Summary

- At 31 December 2020, 173,495 people had access to a Home Care Package (HCP). This is a 6.5 per cent (10,522) increase since 30 September 2020 (162,973), and a 19.4 per cent increase (28,175) since 31 December 2019 (145,320).
- ➤ Of the 173,495 people, 159,339 were in a HCP with the remaining 14,156 people assigned a HCP and considering whether to take up their offer.
- ➤ The 159,339 people in a HCP at 31 December 2020 represented a 6.4 per cent (9,520) increase from 30 September 2020 (149,819) and a 23.7 per cent (30,558) increase since 31 December 2019 (128,781).
- ➤ In the December 2020 quarter, 16,974 people entered a HCP for the first time.
- At 31 December 2020, there were 60,456 people who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had not yet been offered a HCP. Of these people, 97.8 per cent (59,132) had been approved for support through the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP).
- ➤ The number of people with a level 4 approval who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had not yet been offered a HCP, had fallen by 9.2 per cent (715) from 31 December 2019 (7,757) to 31 December 2020 (7,042).
- At 31 December 2020, there were 36,403 people who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had already been offered a lower level HCP. Of these people, 67.5 per cent (24,594) chose to take an offered HCP, 17.3 per cent (6,284) were deciding on whether to take up their offer and 15.2 per cent (5,525) had not taken up their previous offer(s) of a lower level HCP.
- ➤ Of the 96,859 people waiting for a HCP at their approved level at 31 December 2020, 98.6 per cent (95,535) had been provided the opportunity to connect to some form of Commonwealth subsidised home care support.
- ➤ There were 28,706 approvals for a HCP in the December 2020 quarter.
- ➤ There were 44,200 HCPs released in the December 2020 quarter, at an average of 3,400 per week.
- ➤ There were 928 approved HCP providers with a home care service at 31 December 2020.

INTRODUCTION

OVERVIEW

The Australian Government recognises that people want to remain living independently in their own homes for as long as possible. To support this, the Government subsidises packages through the Home Care Packages Program (HCPP) to provide home-based care that can improve senior Australians' quality of life and help them to remain active and connected to their communities.

This report provides an update on the operation of the HCPP for the period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 (referred to as the December 2020 quarter for the remainder of the report).

This report consists of four chapters:

- Chapter 1: assessment for home care and the number of approvals.
- Chapter 2: the delivery of home care services.
- > Chapter 3: the prioritisation of people in the National Priority System (NPS).
- > Chapter 4: maximum exit amounts.

A Glossary is also provided at the end of the report explaining specific terminology and abbreviations used throughout the report.

Data in this report was collected from systems and records held by the Department of Health (the department) and Services Australia. Data was valid on the date of extraction. Data extracted on a different date may vary from that in this report.

Data is provided for the period between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020 with the exception of information on estimated wait times, which shows data as of 28 February 2021, in recognition that information for this indicator was available and assured at the time of publication.

Further information on the HCPP, including eligibility, fees and recent reforms can be found at https://www.health.gov.au/initiatives-and-programs/home-care-packages-program/about-the-home-care-packages-program.

INCREASED INVESTMENT

Since the 2018-19 Budget, the Government has announced the release of an additional 83,105 HCPs at a cost of around \$5.5 billion. Table 1 provides a breakdown of each decision that has contributed to the 83,105 HCPs.

Table 1: Announcements made for additional HCPs since the 2018-19 Budget

Budget Update	Timing of announcement	HCPs	Expenditure (\$m)
2018-19 Budget	May-18	14,000	1,600.4
2018-19 MYEFO	Dec-18	10,000	287.3
2019-20 Budget	Apr-19	10,000	282.4
2019-20 MYEFO	Dec-19	10,000	496.3
2020-21 Budget	Jul-20	6,105	325.7
2020-21 Budget	Oct-20	23,000	1,620.6
2020-21 MYEFO	Dec-20	10,000	850.8
Total		83,105	5,463.5

Table 2 provides a breakdown of the current number of allocated HCPs across the forward estimates.

Table 2: Number of allocated HCPs across the forward estimates

HCP level	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
1	21,450	21,450	21,450	21,450
2	80,071	80,071	80,071	80,071
3	48,224	48,224	48,224	48,224
4	45,852	45,852	45,852	45,852
Total	195,597	195,597	195,597	195,597

1. ELIGIBILITY AND ASSESSMENT

DISTRIBUTION OF HCP LEVELS

 There are four levels of HCPs to help meet senior Australians different levels of care need, which is determined by the outcome of an independent aged care assessment. Table 3 provides the rounded annual amount of Government subsidy in 2020-21.

Table 3: HCP annual subsidy, by HCP level from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021

HCP level	Home care services for people with:	Rounded annual subsidy amount paid by the Government
1	Basic care needs	\$8,900
2	Low-level care needs	\$15,700
3	Intermediate care needs	\$34,200
4	High-level care needs	\$51,900

Notes: The amounts in the table do not include additional supplements that a provider may be eligible for. Figures are rounded to the nearest \$100.

VOLUME OF HCP APPROVALS

• There were 28,706 HCP approvals in the December 2020 quarter (Table 4). This was 7.4 per cent (2,284) less than the approvals in the September 2020 quarter (30,990).

Table 4: Number of HCP approvals in December 2020 quarter, by state and territory of assessment, level and priority

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State/	Le	vel 1	Le	vel 2	Le	evel 3	Le	vel 4	Total	Share
territory	High	Medium	High	Medium	High	Medium	High	Medium	TOTAL	Silare
NSW	16	849	180	3,739	509	2,813	400	754	9,260	32.3%
VIC	1	481	79	2,806	318	2,125	842	824	7,476	26.0%
QLD	-	219	68	1,508	467	1,492	539	361	4,654	16.2%
WA	-	43	27	803	159	1,041	451	590	3,114	10.8%
SA	-	136	-	830	49	1,314	133	405	2,867	10.0%
TAS	-	25	1	231	19	312	32	118	738	2.6%
ACT	-	9	-	116	17	121	57	63	383	1.3%
NT	-	-	4	54	17	60	26	20	181	0.6%
Unknown	-	3	2	9	1	6	4	8	33	0.1%
Sub-total	17	1,765	361	10,096	1,556	9,284	2,484	3,143	28,706	100.0%
Total	1,	782	10	,457	10	,840	5,	627	28,706	100.0%
% by level	6.	2%	36	5.4%	37	7.8%	19	.6%	100.0%	

Key point

➤ There were 28,706 approvals for a HCP in the December 2020 quarter.

2. HOME CARE SERVICE DELIVERY

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN A HCP

- There were 159,339 people in a HCP at 31 December 2020 (Table 5). This was an increase of 6.4 per cent (9,520) since 30 September 2020 (149,819) and a 23.7 per cent (30,558) increase since 31 December 2019 (128,781) (Chart 1).
- Of the 159,339 people, 77,373 were in a high level (level 3 or 4) HCP. This figure was 29.0 per cent (17,373) higher than 31 December 2019 (60,000).
- In addition to the 159,339 people in a HCP at 31 December 2020, a further 14,156 people were assigned a HCP and were considering whether to take up their offer.

Table 5: Number of people in a HCP by level and state and territory, at 31 December 2020

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Share
NSW	9,222	22,921	13,101	11,652	56,896	35.7%
VIC	4,070	19,104	8,867	10,177	42,218	26.5%
QLD	3,136	11,230	7,449	7,918	29,733	18.7%
WA	501	3,463	2,891	5,394	12,249	7.7%
SA	1,132	4,165	3,157	3,380	11,834	7.4%
TAS	391	1,481	973	944	3,789	2.4%
ACT	105	719	369	707	1,900	1.2%
NT	5	314	139	246	704	0.4%
Unknown	1	6	1	8	16	0.0%
Total	18,563	63,403	36,947	40,426	159,339	100.0%
Share	11.7%	39.8%	23.2%	25.4%	100.0%	

Note: Location is based on the address of the person receiving a HCP, not the address of their provider.

 Data on the number of people in a HCP at 31 December 2020 by Aged Care Planning Region (ACPR) can be found at Appendix A.

Chart 1: Number of people in a HCP since 31 December 2019

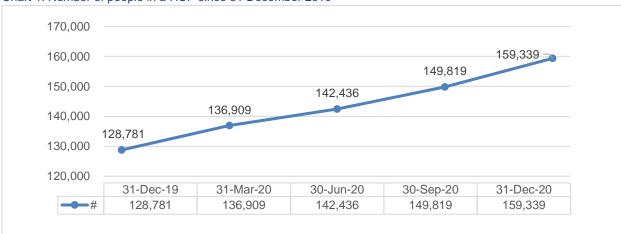


 Table 6 provides a breakdown of the proportion of the total number of people in a HCP according to the Modified Monash Model (MMM) classifications – with 1 classified as major metropolitan regions, ranging to 7 which is classified as the most remote regions.

Table 6: Proportion of the total number of people in a HCP at the last day of the quarter, by MMM Classification

MMM	31-Dec-19	31-Mar-20	30-Jun-20	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20
1	64.2%	64.6%	64.6%	64.7%	64.9%
2	9.7%	9.6%	9.5%	9.4%	9.3%
3	10.3%	10.2%	10.2%	10.2%	10.1%
4	5.8%	5.8%	5.7%	5.7%	5.7%
5	8.6%	8.5%	8.5%	8.6%	8.6%
6	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%
7	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Unknown	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Note: Location is based on the address of the person receiving a HCP, not the address of their provider. Percentages may not add to 100 per cent due to rounding.

NUMBER OF NEW ENTRIES TO A HCP

• There were 16,974 new entries to a HCP in the December 2020 quarter (Table 7).

Table 7: Number of new entries to a HCP in the December 2020 quarter, by state and territory

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Share
NSW	3,497	1,999	565	226	6,287	37.0%
VIC	1,301	1,937	641	390	4,269	25.2%
QLD	1,102	1,261	381	159	2,903	17.1%
WA	201	756	345	234	1,536	9.0%
SA	365	603	265	114	1,347	7.9%
TAS	116	152	58	34	360	2.1%
ACT	44	104	38	24	210	1.2%
NT	4	30	20	8	62	0.4%
Total	6,630	6,842	2,313	1,189	16,974	100.0%
Share	39.1%	40.3%	13.6%	7.0%	100.0%	

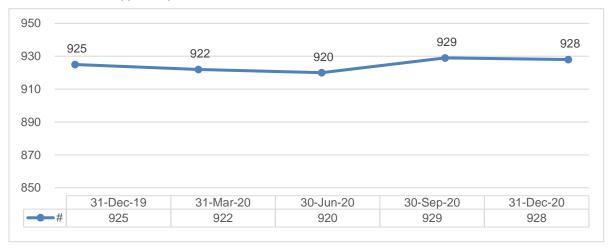
Note: Location is based on the address of the person entering a HCP, not the address of their provider.

 Further information on the number of new entries in the December 2020 quarter by ACPR can be found in Appendix B.

NUMBER OF APPROVED HCP PROVIDERS

There were 928 approved HCP providers at 31 December 2020 (Chart 2).
 This was a decrease of 0.1 per cent (one provider) from 30 September 2020 (929) and an increase of 0.3 per cent (three providers) since 31 December 2019 (925).

Chart 2: Number of approved providers of home care with home care services since 31 December 2019



Note: Approved provider count is based on the approval effective date and includes those providers with at least one active service provider.

Appendix C provides the total number of approved home care providers in each ACPR that
had indicated in My Aged Care that they had operational capacity to provide services across
all four HCP levels in that ACPR at 31 December 2020.

Key points

- ➤ There were 159,339 people in a HCP at 31 December 2020. This was an increase of 6.4 per cent (9,520) since 30 September 2020 (149,819) and a 23.7 per cent (30,558) increase since 31 December 2019 (128,781).
- ➤ There were 16,974 new entries to a HCP in the December 2020 quarter.
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3. NATIONAL PRIORITY SYSTEM

NATIONAL PRIORITY SYSTEM

- The NPS allows for a nationally consistent and equitable process for assigning HCPs based on people's individual needs and circumstances, regardless of where they live. A person's wait time is dependent only on their date of approval and priority for service. The NPS is refreshed each night to accommodate changes made and ensure the release of HCPs is upto-date. HCPs are released on a weekly basis to all four levels, across high and medium priorities to connect people to care as well as upgrade people in interim HCPs.
- The NPS should be considered as more than a single queue. For example, the NPS includes
 people who have accepted a lower level HCP that allows them to connect with home care
 services early, as well as others who have not accepted a lower level HCP. It also includes
 people that have approvals for other care types such as residential care and CHSP who may
 not choose to take up their HCP.
- Independent and qualified Aged Care Assessment Teams (ACATs) assess a person's needs and, when making an approval for care, can approve a person for a HCP, residential care, respite care, transitional care, and CHSP, depending on the person's circumstances.
 Therefore, based on care needs and choice, not everyone with a HCP approval will enter home care. The strong majority of people assessed by ACATs are approved for permanent residential care, reflecting their complex care needs.

ACCESS TO COMMONWEALTH HOME SUPPORT SERVICES

- In addition to receiving an approval for a HCP as an outcome of their assessment, most people are also provided with approval to access CHSP to assist with specific care needs identified during the assessment. Assessors provide these approvals to ensure people have options to address care needs whilst awaiting their approved HCP.
- Of the 96,859 people in the NPS who were waiting on a HCP at their approved level at 31 December 2020, 97.5 per cent (94,460) had been approved for access to services through the CHSP. Additionally, people retain the option of accessing some specific CHSP services after they are offered a level 1 or 2 HCP when their budget has been expended or where additional short-term episodic care is required. Diagram 1 shows that 98.6 per cent (95,535) of people in the NPS at 31 December 2020 had been offered an interim level HCP and/or approved for CHSP services.

Have been offered a HCP and have been approved for CHSP (36.5%)
Have not yet been offered a HCP, but have been approved for CHSP (61.0%)
Have been offered a HCP, but have not been approved for CHSP (1.1%)
Have not yet been offered a HCP, and have not been approved for CHSP (1.4%)

Diagram 1: Status of people in the NPS at 31 December 2020 who were waiting for a HCP at their approved level

PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT YET BEEN OFFERED A HCP

- At 31 December 2020, there were 60,456 people who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had not yet been offered a HCP (Table 8). Of these people, 97.8 per cent (59,132) had been approved for CHSP.
- The number of people with a level 4 approval who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had not yet been offered a HCP, fell by 9.2 per cent (715) from 31 December 2019 (7,757) to 31 December 2020 (7,042).

Table 8: Number and percentage of people who had not yet been offered a HCP, who had been approved to acce	ess
CHSP, by level of approval at 31 December 2020	

Approved level	Number of people in the NPS <u>who have</u> <u>never been offered</u> an interim HCP	Number of people in the NPS <u>who have never been</u> offered an interim HCP with CHSP approval	Percentage of people in the NPS <u>who have never</u> <u>been offered</u> an interim HCP <u>with</u> CHSP approval
Level 1	3,384	3,222	95.2%
Level 2	26,115	25,565	97.9%
Level 3	23,915	23,522	98.4%
Level 4	7,042	6,823	96.9%
Total	60,456	59,132	97.8%

PEOPLE WHO HAVE RECEIVED AN OFFER OF AN INTERIM HCP

- At 31 December 2020, there were 36,403 people who had been offered an interim HCP while they wait for a HCP at their approved level.
- Those offered an interim HCP fell into three response categories (Table 9):
 - those who accepted their offer and were receiving care (24,594)
 - those who had not yet accepted their offer but whose offer was still open (i.e. within 56/84 days of offer) (6,284), and
 - o those who did not take up their previous offer(s) (5,525).

Table 9: Number of people who had been offered a HCP while they wait for their approved level, by response category and level of approval at 31 December 2020

Approved level	Number of people in an interim HCP*	Number of people offered an interim HCP, who had not yet accepted their offer	Number of people offered an interim HCP that <u>did</u> <u>not</u> take up their offer(s)
Level 2	9,155	3,090	3,450
Level 3	10,368	2,527	1,663
Level 4	5,071	667	412
Total	24,594	6,284	5,525

• Of the 5,525 people who had not taken up their previous offer(s) of a HCP, 97.7 per cent (5,396) had been approved for CHSP (Table 10).

Table 10: Number and percentage of people who did not take up an offer of a lower level HCP, who have been provided approval to access CHSP, by level of approval at 31 December 2020

Approved level	Number of people who did not take up an offer of an interim HCP	Number of people who <u>did</u> not take up an offer of an interim HCP, that have a CHSP approval	Percentage of people who <u>did not</u> take up an offer of an interim HCP, that have a CHSP approval
Level 2	3,450	3,361	97.4%
Level 3	1,663	1,631	98.1%
Level 4	412	404	98.1%
Total	5,525	5,396	97.7%

PEOPLE APPROVED FOR RESIDENTIAL CARE

Many people have approvals for both home and residential aged care, and some will choose to take up a residential care place instead of a HCP. At 31 December 2020, 61.0 per cent (59,073) of people in the NPS had dual approvals, having been approved for a permanent place in a residential aged care facility (Table 11).

Table 11: Number and percentage of people waiting for a HCP at their approved level who were also approved for permanent residential care, by level of approval at 31 December 2020

Approved level	Number of people waiting for a HCP at their approved level who also have an approval for permanent residential care	Number of people waiting for a HCP at their approved level	Percentage of people waiting for a HCP at their approved level who also have an approval for permanent residential care
Level 1	895	3,384	26.4%
Level 2	20,485	41,810	49.0%
Level 3	26,824	38,473	69.7%
Level 4	10,869	13,192	82.4%
Total	59,073	96,859	61.0%

DISTRIBUTION OF PEOPLE ACROSS STATES AND TERRITORIES

 Table 12 shows the state and territory distribution of people who have not been offered a HCP as at 31 December 2020.

Table 12: Number of people waiting on a HCP at their approved level who had not been offered a lower level HCP, by state and territory of residence and level of approval at 31 December 2020

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Share
NSW	1,701	8,131	5,668	1,241	16,741	27.7%
VIC	889	8,114	6,650	2,271	17,924	29.6%
QLD	427	3,989	3,594	733	8,743	14.5%
WA	70	2,151	2,956	1,473	6,650	11.0%
SA	224	2,625	3,805	851	7,505	12.4%
TAS	50	662	799	271	1,782	2.9%
ACT	18	261	282	131	692	1.1%
NT	-	140	138	59	337	0.6%
Unknown	5	42	23	12	82	0.1%
Total	3,384	26,115	23,915	7,042	60,456	100.0%
Share	5.6%	43.2%	39.6%	11.6%	100.0%	

Note: A person with an approval at multiple levels is only counted once - at their highest active approved level.

 The number of people waiting on a HCP at 31 December 2020, who had not been offered a lower level HCP, by ACPR, is found in Appendix D.

WAIT TIMES

- All people approved for a HCP, and seeking services, can access their individual expected wait time to receive their first HCP, and their approved HCP in time bands.
- A person's place in the NPS is solely based on date of approval and priority for care. Estimated wait times at 28 February 2021, for a person with a medium priority approval joining the NPS for a HCP by level, are provided in Table 13.
- People approved for a higher level HCP have the option of taking up a lower level HCP to connect to care as early as possible. They may also have the option to access CHSP services, ensuring that the strong majority of people have access to Commonwealth subsidised care in their home.

Table 13: Estimated wait time for people entering the NPS on 28 February 2021, by HCP level

Package level	First package assignment	Time to first package	Time to approved package
Level 1	Level 1	3-6 months	3-6 months
Level 2	Level 1	3-6 months	12+ months
Level 3	Level 1	3-6 months	12+ months
Level 4	Level 2	12+ months	12+ months

NUMBER OF HCPS RELEASED

• The department released 44,200 HCPs during the December 2020 quarter (Table 14), at an average of 3,400 per week.

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	Share
NSW	5,661	5,566	3,142	1,166	15,535	35.1%
VIC	2,362	4,788	2,918	1,478	11,546	26.1%
QLD	1,905	2,725	1,830	833	7,293	16.5%
WA	492	1,520	1,107	905	4,024	9.1%
SA	782	1,672	1,166	419	4,039	9.1%
TAS	191	408	282	128	1,009	2.3%
ACT	91	234	130	102	557	1.3%
NT	10	68	50	41	169	0.4%
Unknown	6	14	5	3	28	0.1%
Total	11,500	16,995	10,630	5,075	44,200	100.0%
Share	26.0%	38.5%	24.0%	11.5%	100.0%	

- Of the HCPs released in the December 2020 quarter:
 - o 28.7 per cent (12,672) were offered as upgrades to people already in an interim HCP.
 - 71.3 per cent (31,528) of HCPs were offered to people who were not in an interim level HCP (Table 15). This includes people who were previously offered a HCP and did not take up the offer, as well as people who were offered a HCP for the first time.

Table 15: HCPs released to people in the December 2020 quarter, by level and type of release

Release type	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
New packages	11,500	12,817	4,820	2,391	31,528
Upgrades	-	4,178	5,810	2,684	12,672
Total	11,500	16,995	10,630	5,075	44,200
% released that were new	100.0%	75.4%	45.3%	47.1%	71.3%

 Information on the number of HCPs released by ACPR and level for the December 2020 quarter can be found at Appendix E.

Key points

- At 31 December 2020, there were 60,456 people who were seeking a HCP at their approved level, who had not been offered a HCP. Of these people, 97.8 per cent (59,132) had been provided with an approval to access CHSP.
- At 31 December 2020, there were 36,403 people who had been offered an interim HCP while they wait for a HCP at their approved level.
- ➤ 44,200 HCPs were released during the December 2020 quarter, with 71.3 per cent (31,528) being offered to people who were not in an interim HCP.

4. MAXIMUM EXIT AMOUNTS

An exit amount is an amount that can be deducted by a HCP provider from a person's unspent HCP amount if the person leaves their care. This may happen if the person decides to change their HCP provider or when they leave their HCP altogether.

The maximum exit amount represents the highest dollar value the provider can include in a person's home care agreement and must be published on the My Aged Care website.

• The average published maximum exit amount of all providers at 31 December 2020 was \$211 (inclusive of amounts of \$0 and where no amount was provided) (Chart 3). This average had decreased by 0.5 per cent (\$1) since 30 September 2020 (\$212) and decreased by 2.8 per cent (\$6) since 31 December 2019 (\$217).



Chart 3: Average maximum exit amount published by HCP providers since 31 December 2019

Note: All approved providers, irrespective of whether or not they publish an amount, are included in determining the average.

- 43.5 per cent of approved HCP providers had indicated that they would not deduct an exit amount at 31 December 2020, up from 43.3 per cent at 30 September 2020.
- Eight providers published a maximum exit amount of \$1,000 or more at 31 December 2020 (Table 16).

Table 16: Number of approved HCP providers with a published maximum exit amount of \$1,000 or more

	31-Dec-19	31-Mar-20	30-Jun-20	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20
(A) No. of providers with a published maximum exit amount of more than \$1,000	2	2	2	2	2
(B) No. of providers with a published maximum exit amount of \$1,000	6	6	6	6	6
Combined (A)+(B)	8	8	8	8	8

Key points:

- > At 31 December 2020, the average published maximum exit amount was \$211.
- At 31 December 2020, 43.5 per cent of all approved HCP providers indicated that they would not deduct an exit amount.

Glossary

Term	Definition
Aged Care Assessment Teams (ACAT)	ACATs are independent, state and territory managed teams of medical and allied health professionals who assess the physical, psychological, medical, restorative, cultural and social needs of older people and help them and their carers to access appropriate levels of support.
Aged Care Planning Region (ACPR)	The areas marked out in the ACPR maps, which can be found at https://www.health.gov.au/resources/collections/2018-aged-care-planning-region-maps .
Approved provider	An organisation that has been approved to provide home care under the <i>Aged Care Act 1997</i> .
Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP)	Entry-level support at home – Ongoing or short-term care and support services including help with housework, personal care, meals and food preparation, transport, shopping, allied health, social support and planned respite.
Home Care Packages Program	A program that supports senior Australians with complex needs to remain living at home through a coordinated package of care and services to meet the individual needs of people.
Interim HCP	A HCP at a lower level than a person's approved level, through which they are able to access some home care services while waiting for a higher level HCP.
My Aged Care	The main entry point to the aged care system in Australia.
National Priority System	The nationally consistent process for allocating HCPs based on peoples' needs and circumstances.
The department	The Department of Health.

Appendices

Appendix A – Number of people in a HCP at 31 December 2020, by ACPR

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
NSW					
Central Coast	366	1,328	939	515	3,148
Central West	101	506	267	237	1,111
Far North Coast	745	1,861	845	653	4,104
Hunter	916	2,405	1,395	1,594	6,310
Illawarra	619	1,497	794	643	3,553
Inner West	670	1,438	823	812	3,743
Mid North Coast	787	2,085	1,387	1,187	5,446
Nepean	199	699	326	217	1,441
New England	133	498	279	243	1,153
Northern Sydney	1,026	2,144	1,000	1,205	5,375
Orana Far West	283	619	302	192	1,396
Riverina/Murray	641	1,461	789	575	3,466
South East Sydney	789	2,066	1,331	1,110	5,296
South West Sydney	1,106	1,949	1,071	821	4,947
Southern Highlands	209	918	410	443	1,980
Western Sydney	632	1,447	1,143	1,205	4,427
Total	9,222	22,921	13,101	11,652	56,896
VIC					
Barwon-South Western	232	1,416	704	764	3,116
Eastern Metro	1,363	4,266	1,643	1,784	9,056
Gippsland	514	1,532	724	695	3,465
Grampians	137	931	286	299	1,653
Hume	171	1,045	480	422	2,118
Loddon-Mallee	182	1,017	464	618	2,281
Northern Metro	588	2,676	1,489	1,637	6,390
Southern Metro	660	4,029	1,840	2,448	8,977
Western Metro	223	2,192	1,237	1,510	5,162
Total	4,070	19,104	8,867	10,177	42,218

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
QLD					
Brisbane North	161	861	691	769	2,482
Brisbane South	343	1,207	950	1,096	3,596
Cabool	318	1,009	728	785	2,840
Central West	5	11	6	11	33
Darling Downs	416	954	425	707	2,502
Far North	91	673	338	293	1,395
Fitzroy	79	736	912	391	2,118
Logan River Valley	238	677	522	612	2,049
Mackay	62	229	46	79	416
North West	8	44	28	29	109
Northern	97	510	429	648	1,684
South Coast	379	1,162	691	812	3,044
South West	13	60	22	35	130
Sunshine Coast	373	1,730	993	1,044	4,140
West Moreton	183	369	137	202	891
Wide Bay	370	998	531	405	2,304
Total	3,136	11,230	7,449	7,918	29,733
WA					
Goldfields	7	26	31	36	100
Great Southern	18	65	105	222	410
Kimberley	1	70	39	29	139
Metro East	44	480	395	638	1,557
Metro North	238	1,151	722	1,185	3,296
Metro South East	75	600	385	900	1,960
Metro South West	88	660	769	1,492	3,009
Mid West	-	59	38	97	194
Pilbara	-	18	8	20	46
South West	11	202	215	462	890
Wheatbelt	19	132	184	313	648
Total	501	3,463	2,891	5,394	12,249

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
SA					
Eyre Peninsula	76	248	111	98	533
Flinders & Far North	16	62	47	27	152
Hills, Mallee & Southern	230	749	327	326	1,632
Metro East	69	388	442	557	1,456
Metro North	401	708	685	662	2,456
Metro South	47	826	605	670	2,148
Metro West	88	433	557	673	1,751
Mid North	37	96	44	43	220
Riverland	12	163	93	78	346
South East	80	224	76	68	448
Yorke, Lower North & Barossa	76	268	170	178	692
Total	1,132	4,165	3,157	3,380	11,834
TAS					
North Western	160	317	189	226	892
Northern	80	446	251	286	1,063
Southern	151	718	533	432	1,834
Total	391	1,481	973	944	3,789
ACT					
Total	105	719	369	707	1,900
NT					
Alice Springs	-	96	21	45	162
Barkly	-	6	1	2	9
Darwin	2	114	96	174	386
East Arnhem	2	63	8	14	87
Katherine	1	35	13	11	60
Total	5	314	139	246	704
UNKNOWN ACPR					
Total	1	6	1	8	16
NATIONAL					
Total	18,563	63,403	36,947	40,426	159,339

Note: Location is based on the address of the person receiving a HCP, not the address of their provider.

Appendix B – Number of new entries to a HCP in the December 2020 quarter, by ACPR

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
NSW					
Central Coast	123	138	57	9	327
Central West	26	55	9	6	96
Far North Coast	278	136	33	8	455
Hunter	304	265	55	32	656
Illawarra	207	105	35	5	352
Inner West	314	113	30	24	481
Mid North Coast	259	237	73	18	587
Nepean	98	55	18	3	174
New England	63	59	20	3	145
Northern Sydney	312	142	35	29	518
Orana Far West	79	50	8	2	139
Riverina/Murray	265	92	22	13	392
South East Sydney	360	210	54	32	656
South West Sydney	460	131	40	14	645
Southern Highlands	66	74	29	8	177
Western Sydney	283	137	47	20	487
Total	3,497	1,999	565	226	6,287
VIC					
Barwon-South Western	76	166	56	21	319
Eastern Metro	434	368	116	85	1,003
Gippsland	121	162	55	20	358
Grampians	38	82	25	17	162
Hume	55	80	21	11	167
Loddon-Mallee	65	84	34	27	210
Northern Metro	181	329	105	36	651
Southern Metro	246	414	151	107	918
Western Metro	85	252	78	66	481
Total	1,301	1,937	641	390	4,269

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
QLD					
Brisbane North	73	112	38	23	246
Brisbane South	106	171	57	12	346
Cabool	144	158	46	22	370
Central West	2	2	-	-	4
Darling Downs	158	101	20	12	291
Far North	26	87	21	4	138
Fitzroy	41	108	45	5	199
Logan River Valley	82	72	20	4	178
Mackay	22	15	3	2	42
North West	2	3	-	-	5
Northern	26	92	35	23	176
South Coast	111	84	26	21	242
South West	7	3	-	3	13
Sunshine Coast	162	168	47	15	392
West Moreton	59	19	2	8	88
Wide Bay	81	66	21	5	173
Total	1,102	1,261	381	159	2,903
WA					
Goldfields	2	3	5	3	13
Great Southern	8	21	16	12	57
Kimberley	1	4	2	1	8
Metro East	16	100	46	27	189
Metro North	90	221	71	42	424
Metro South East	22	104	61	39	226
Metro South West	55	206	103	71	435
Mid West	-	13	2	4	19
Pilbara	-	2	1	-	3
South West	3	50	15	20	88
Wheatbelt	4	32	23	15	74
Total	201	756	345	234	1,536

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
SA						
Eyre Peninsula	18	29	3	2	52	
Flinders & Far North	6	7	4	-	17	
Hills, Mallee & Southern	86	68	11	10	175	
Metro East	21	59	53	28	161	
Metro North	123	88	43	23	277	
Metro South	9	147	59	18	233	
Metro West	31	113	61	23	228	
Mid North	14	11	3	1	29	
Riverland	8	32	10	2	52	
South East	29	14	3	-	46	
Yorke, Lower North & Barossa	20	35	15	7	77	
Total	365	603	265	114	1,347	
TAS						
North Western	56	39	8	10	113	
Northern	14	39	15	9	77	
Southern	46	74	35	15	170	
Total	116	152	58	34	360	
ACT						
Total	44	104	38	24	210	
NT						
Alice Springs	-	3	1	-	4	
Barkly	-	-	-	-	-	
Darwin	2	20	18	8	48	
East Arnhem	1	5	-	-	6	
Katherine	1	2	1	-	4	
Total	4	30	20	8	62	
UNKNOWN						
Total	-	-	-	-	-	
NATIONAL						
Total	6,630	6,842	2,313	1,189	16,974	

Note: Location is based on the address of the person who entered into a HCP during the December 2020 quarter.

Appendix C - Number of approved HCP providers that have indicated in My Aged Care that they can provide services at each of the four HCP levels, by ACPR

State/territory	31-Dec-19	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20
NSW			
Central Coast	24	26	27
Central West	21	21	20
Far North Coast	35	37	38
Hunter	59	62	63
Illawarra	39	39	39
Inner West	37	40	40
Mid North Coast	48	50	50
Nepean	14	14	14
New England	23	23	23
Northern Sydney	43	44	43
Orana Far West	22	22	21
Riverina/Murray	34	37	37
South East Sydney	57	57	59
South West Sydney	52	55	55
Southern Highlands	26	28	28
Western Sydney	56	55	54
VIC			
Barwon-South Western	30	31	32
Eastern Metro	58	60	61
Gippsland	23	23	23
Grampians	20	24	24
Hume	29	30	30
Loddon-Mallee	17	19	19
Northern Metro	37	40	42
Southern Metro	65	67	68
Western Metro	57	57	57

State/territory	31-Dec-19	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20
QLD			
Brisbane North	45	46	48
Brisbane South	56	56	57
Cabool	23	23	26
Central West	9	9	9
Darling Downs	31	33	33
Far North	23	23	23
Fitzroy	25	25	25
Logan River Valley	27	28	30
Mackay	17	17	17
North West	7	7	7
Northern	21	24	24
South Coast	35	35	36
South West	3	3	3
Sunshine Coast	42	42	43
West Moreton	24	23	23
Wide Bay	22	22	22
WA			
Goldfields	9	9	9
Great Southern	6	6	6
Kimberley	8	8	8
Metro East	30	32	32
Metro North	33	34	35
Metro South East	24	24	24
Metro South West	20	20	22
Mid West	6	6	6
Pilbara	8	8	8
South West	14	14	14
Wheatbelt	8	8	9

State/territory	31-Dec-19	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20
SA			
Eyre Peninsula	5	5	6
Flinders & Far North	10	10	10
Hills, Mallee & Southern	12	12	12
Metro East	40	44	43
Metro North	15	16	16
Metro South	14	14	13
Metro West	23	22	23
Mid North	3	3	3
Riverland	3	3	3
South East	5	5	5
Yorke, Lower North & Barossa	9	9	9
TAS			
North Western	13	13	13
Northern	14	15	15
Southern	34	34	34
ACT			
ACT	34	38	38
NT			
Alice Springs	15	15	15
Barkly	13	13	13
Darwin	15	15	15
East Arnhem	7	7	7
Katherine	12	12	12

Note: Totals per state/territory aren't shown as providers can operate in multiple ACPRs and states/territories.

Appendix D – Number of people waiting on a HCP at their approved level at 31 December 2020, who had yet to be offered a lower level HCP, by ACPR

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
NSW					
Central Coast	86	568	370	33	1,057
Central West	12	150	109	8	279
Far North Coast	69	541	302	41	953
Hunter	215	732	434	73	1,454
Illawarra	104	491	251	29	875
Inner West	56	389	453	217	1,115
Mid North Coast	190	620	456	77	1,343
Nepean	28	213	264	54	559
New England	40	198	180	32	450
Northern Sydney	216	938	587	192	1,933
Orana Far West	65	157	78	11	311
Riverina/Murray	123	407	252	54	836
South East Sydney	169	943	642	172	1,926
South West Sydney	181	735	489	113	1,518
Southern Highlands	36	464	184	15	699
Western Sydney	111	585	617	120	1,433
Total	1,701	8,131	5,668	1,241	16,741
VIC					
Barwon-South Western	23	685	547	158	1,413
Eastern Metro	465	1,788	1,053	437	3,743
Gippsland	97	504	691	302	1,594
Grampians	14	478	378	87	957
Hume	25	327	125	13	490
Loddon-Mallee	58	398	323	143	922
Northern Metro	105	1,131	770	284	2,290
Southern Metro	77	1,741	1,999	570	4,387
Western Metro	25	1,062	764	277	2,128
Total	889	8,114	6,650	2,271	17,924

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
QLD					
Brisbane North	35	380	452	98	965
Brisbane South	60	517	390	57	1,024
Cabool	67	383	380	91	921
Central West	3	14	10	2	29
Darling Downs	36	258	266	113	673
Far North	13	364	189	12	578
Fitzroy	24	176	257	7	464
Logan River Valley	20	186	186	36	428
Mackay	10	62	46	3	121
North West	1	24	14	1	40
Northern	24	247	248	80	599
South Coast	35	279	271	72	657
South West	4	17	17	5	43
Sunshine Coast	33	749	580	103	1,465
West Moreton	29	103	70	16	218
Wide Bay	33	230	218	37	518
Total	427	3,989	3,594	733	8,743
WA					
Goldfields	-	36	26	23	85
Great Southern	1	44	92	59	196
Kimberley	-	39	17	4	60
Metro East	3	259	465	206	933
Metro North	20	681	700	303	1,704
Metro South East	29	331	445	314	1,119
Metro South West	14	555	796	358	1,723
Mid West	1	31	75	26	133
Pilbara	-	2	15	1	18
South West	2	89	160	98	349
Wheatbelt	-	84	165	81	330
Total	70	2,151	2,956	1,473	6,650

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
SA						
Eyre Peninsula	20	130	139	11	300	
Flinders & Far North	10	38	55	10	113	
Hills, Mallee & Southern	57	288	239	46	630	
Metro East	13	349	695	177	1,234	
Metro North	69	568	628	131	1,396	
Metro South	2	432	841	222	1,497	
Metro West	10	356	844	201	1,411	
Mid North	7	60	45	9	121	
Riverland	9	124	95	17	245	
South East	18	82	60	2	162	
Yorke, Lower North & Barossa	9	198	164	25	396	
Total	224	2,625	3,805	851	7,505	
TAS						
North Western	22	165	149	65	401	
Northern	13	222	187	75	497	
Southern	15	275	463	131	884	
Total	50	662	799	271	1,782	
ACT						
Total	18	261	282	131	692	
NT						
Alice Springs	-	26	14	2	42	
Barkly	-	-	3	-	3	
Darwin	-	98	105	47	250	
East Arnhem	-	6	2	1	9	
Katherine	-	10	14	9	33	
Total	-	140	138	59	337	
UNKNOWN ACPR						
Total	5	42	23	12	82	
NATIONAL						
Total	3,384	26,115	23,915	7,042	60,456	

Note: Location is based on the address of the person waiting to be assigned a HCP.

Appendix E - Number of HCPs released in the December 2020 quarter, by ACPR

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
NSW					
Central Coast	180	338	218	57	793
Central West	49	115	64	23	251
Far North Coast	385	425	203	62	1,075
Hunter	407	555	254	98	1,314
Illawarra	364	302	174	60	900
Inner West	509	506	272	141	1,428
Mid North Coast	397	456	318	145	1,316
Nepean	161	145	113	31	450
New England	131	102	53	24	310
Northern Sydney	656	518	236	96	1,506
Orana Far West	119	138	77	13	347
Riverina/Murray	378	346	175	60	959
South East Sydney	646	624	357	129	1,756
South West Sydney	721	429	311	96	1,557
Southern Highlands	164	175	88	31	458
Western Sydney	394	392	229	100	1,115
Total	5,661	5,566	3,142	1,166	15,535
VIC					
Barwon-South Western	130	325	227	105	787
Eastern Metro	877	945	515	278	2,615
Gippsland	176	508	304	130	1,118
Grampians	51	223	119	51	444
Hume	121	155	78	16	370
Loddon-Mallee	96	236	145	86	563
Northern Metro	327	775	452	201	1,755
Southern Metro	430	1,061	740	395	2,626
Western Metro	154	560	338	216	1,268
Total	2,362	4,788	2,918	1,478	11,546

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total
QLD					
Brisbane North	136	274	181	105	696
Brisbane South	204	354	192	84	834
Cabool	237	288	229	123	877
Central West	3	3	3	2	11
Darling Downs	269	222	143	61	695
Far North	72	170	89	32	363
Fitzroy	87	187	198	36	508
Logan River Valley	127	178	124	34	463
Mackay	40	40	11	6	97
North West	9	16	8	3	36
Northern	43	162	140	84	429
South Coast	231	268	146	62	707
South West	17	12	7	3	39
Sunshine Coast	215	329	236	145	925
West Moreton	90	57	19	21	187
Wide Bay	125	165	104	32	426
Total	1,905	2,725	1,830	833	7,293
WA					
Goldfields	12	16	10	11	49
Great Southern	11	61	57	51	180
Kimberley	12	10	9	6	37
Metro East	44	206	132	101	483
Metro North	194	410	289	168	1,061
Metro South East	50	212	162	161	585
Metro South West	130	399	297	269	1,095
Mid West	1	20	19	16	56
Pilbara	2	12	7	2	23
South West	13	98	66	65	242
Wheatbelt	23	76	59	55	213
Total	492	1,520	1,107	905	4,024

State/territory	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Total	
SA						
Eyre Peninsula	49	61	25	5	140	
Flinders & Far North	17	19	18	-	54	
Hills, Mallee & Southern	159	189	111	37	496	
Metro East	43	242	216	101	602	
Metro North	214	326	188	62	790	
Metro South	31	323	230	80	664	
Metro West	49	274	248	99	670	
Mid North	33	30	22	4	89	
Riverland	35	78	42	8	163	
South East	66	39	13	3	121	
Yorke, Lower North & Barossa	86	91	53	20	250	
Total	782	1,672	1,166	419	4,039	
TAS						
North Western	84	103	64	36	287	
Northern	26	105	63	43	237	
Southern	81	200	155	49	485	
Total	191	408	282	128	1,009	
ACT						
Total	91	234	130	102	557	
NT						
Alice Springs	5	14	7	5	31	
Barkly	-	1	2	-	3	
Darwin	2	41	36	30	109	
East Arnhem	-	4	1	2	7	
Katherine	3	8	4	4	19	
Total	10	68	50	41	169	
UNKNOWN						
Total	6	14	5	3	28	
NATIONAL						
Total	11,500	16,995	10,630	5,075	44,200	

Note: Location is based on the address of the person who was assigned the HCP.