Monthly Benefits Update – April 2020

Main benefit categories and sub-categories

- **All main benefits**
  - Jobseeker Support (JS)
  - Work Ready (JS - WR)
  - Health Condition and Disability (JS - HCD)
  - Sole Parent Support (SPS)
  - Supported Living Payment (SLP)
  - Health Condition and Disability (SLP - HCD)
  - Carers (SLP - Carers)
  - Youth Payment/Young Parent Payment (YPP)
  - Youth Payment (YP)
  - Young Parent Payment (YPP)

Other main benefits: 1,886

**Since February**
- Number: 1,886
- Percent: 45.4%

**Yearly change**
- Number: 2,913
- Percent: 65.4%

Supplementary benefits and hardship assistance

- Supplementary and hardship assistance numbers include all recipients receiving the assistance shown, not only working-age clients. Benefit Advances and Special Needs Grants (SNGs) are the sum of grants in the month. The sum of Special Needs Grants also includes Food SNGs.

**Supplementary benefits**
- Temporary Additional Support/Special benefit (%): 233,745
- Disability Allowance (%): 230,718
- Accommodation Supplement (%): 233,745

**Hardship assistance**
- Benefit Advances (%): 50,387
- Special Needs Grants (SNGs): 293,518
- Food SNGs: 278,392

Other main benefits

- Jobseeker Support Student Hardship (JSSH)
  - Last year: 32.4%
  - Since February: 13.6%

Emergency Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
  - Last year: 1.0%
  - Since February: 1.3%

Emergency benefit (EB)
  - Last year: 1.0%
  - Since February: 1.3%

Grants and cancellations of benefits

- Grants:
  - Jobseeker Support: 32,024
  - Sole Parent Support: 2,382

- Cancellations:
  - Other reasons: 1,105
  - Transferred: 445
  - Obtained work: 341

Population proportion of 18-64 year olds receiving Jobseeker Support, by Work and Income region

Population proportion and percentage point change compared with April 2019

- Northland: 10.7%
- Auckland Metropolitan: 7.7%
- Waikato: 7.0%
- Bay of Plenty: 8.3%
- Taranaki: 7.8%
- Nelson, Marlborough: 5.7%
- West Coast: 4.8%
- Wellington: 5.5%
- Central: 6.6%
- Canterbury: 4.8%