

**Table 1. Number of Cashless Debit Card (CDC) participants by original CDC location as at 6 November 2020**

Cashless Debit Card region*	Income Support Payment														Total Participants	Per cent Indigenous
	Abstudy (Living Allowance)	Austudy	Carer Payment	Disability Support Pension	JobSeeker Payment**	Parenting Payment Partnered	Parenting Payment Single	Partner Allowance	Sickness Allowance	Special Benefit	Widow Allowance	Wife Pension (Age)	Youth Allowance	Volunteer		
Ceduna region SA	<5	<5	39	162	526	52	112	0	0	0	0	0	58	0	952	75%
East Kimberley region WA	<5	<5	70	313	821	76	286	0	0	0	0	0	79	<5	1,652	82%
Goldfields region WA	7	6	161	527	1,789	108	648	0	0	<5	0	0	152	<5	3,402	48%
Bundaberg and Hervey Bay region QLD	0	0	0	0	2,621	438	1,776	0	0	0	0	0	1,069	0	5,904	18%

**Table 2. Community panel (or body) decisions to change restricted portion of income support payment as at 6 November 2020**

Community panels (Section 124PK of the Act), or community bodies, operate in the Ceduna SA region and the East Kimberley WA region, with the East Kimberley region having two community panels operating in Kununurra and Wyndham. The number of applications and the number of decisions may not be the same as sometimes people withdraw their application, or a decision may not have been made on an application at the time of extracting the data.

Community Panel (Body) decisions	Applications	Approved		Not Approved	
		Number	Per cent Indigenous	Number	Per cent Indigenous
Ceduna region SA	191	148	57%	43	67%
East Kimberley region WA	52	15	n.p.	37	70%

**Table 3. When someone is not subject to cashless welfare arrangements:**

**Well-Being Exemptions (Section 124PHA of the Act) as at 6 November 2020**

If being a Cashless Debit Card program participant would pose a serious risk to a person's mental, physical or emotional wellbeing, the Secretary of the Department of Social Services (or delegate) can provide the person with an exemption from participating in the program. This is known as a well-being exemption.

Well-Being Exemptions	Applications	Approved		Not Approved	
		Number	Per cent Indigenous	Number	Per cent Indigenous
Ceduna region SA	44	33	18%	11	45%
East Kimberley region WA	50	34	59%	16	56%
Goldfields region WA	153	108	19%	45	20%
Bundaberg and Hervey Bay region Qld	45	20	25%	25	n.p.

**Table 4.** When someone is not subject to cashless welfare arrangements:

**Exits (Section 124PBH of the Act) as at 6 November 2020**

A person can apply to exit the program if they can demonstrate reasonable and responsible management of their affairs, including financial affairs, in accordance with the criteria set out in the legislation.

Exits	Applications	Approved		Not Approved		Withdrawn/closed****	
		Number	Per cent Indigenous	Number	Per cent Indigenous	Number	Per cent Indigenous
Ceduna region SA***	48	15	n.p.	17	53%	13	54%
East Kimberley region WA***	81	10	n.p.	52	87%	16	81%
Goldfields region WA***	292	87	15%	139	41%	51	27%
Bundaberg and Hervey Bay region QLD***	495	146	5%	216	13%	105	13%
Out of area***	486	62	18%	241	44%	140	36%

## Notes

1. Additional information on legislation, Cashless Debit Card, location, data confidentialisation and data caveats can found in Cashless Debit Card metadata update.
2. \* Table 1 only shows CDC participants actively receiving a trigger payment by location. Participants not receiving a trigger payment due to temporary or permanent cancellation, transition between payment types or having recently aged out of eligibility for their CDC region at the time of data extraction are not included in the data.
3. \*\*In Table 1, JobSeeker Payment replaced Newstart Allowance on 20 March 2020 as the main working age payment for those aged 22 years to Age Pension age. Recipients who would have previously claimed Newstart Allowance, Bereavement Allowance or Sickness Allowance will now claim JobSeeker Payment.
4. \*\*\*In Table 4, the program regions represent where a person has reported to be living at the time of their application. All other program regions in this document represent where a person was living when they were placed on the program.
5. \*\*\*\* 'Withdrawn/closed' also includes applications from participants who were no longer eligible for the exit process at the time of decision, for reasons such as no longer being on the program.