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2757. Ms A L A Abrahams (DA) to ask the Minister of Basic Education: to ask the Minister of Basic Education:

What total number of the (a) 12 992 589 children who received child support grants in the 2020-21 financial year and (b) 12 787 448 children in the 2019-20 financial year (i) are enrolled in (aa) primary and (bb) high school and (ii) attend school regularly?

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Response

(i)(aa)(bb) **Table 1: Number of children who received child support grant, by province, in 2020 and 2021**

Year	Province	COMBINED SCHOOL	INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL	PRIMARY SCHOOL	SECONDARY SCHOOL	Grand Total
2020	EC					
	FS	4,038	22,897	99,493	28,538	155,801
	GT	904	3,572	89,009	21,685	117,323
	KZN	53,755		427,677	158,290	641,341
	LP	5,697	102	237,852	72,135	316,559
	MP	32,316	10,752	182,709	47,506	274,418
	NC	3,225	15,526	33,786	10,727	63,452
	NW	4,968	348	106,490	34,861	147,429
	WC	8,817	19,426	201,325	109,875	347,457
	National	113,720	72,623	1,378,341	483,617	2,063,780
2021	EC	96,910	-	203,321	76,034	376,265
	FS	4,294	16,348	107,970	31,185	159,797
	GT	4,808	54	94,497	24,113	123,472
	KZN	68,966	1,617	429,067	159,835	659,485
	LP	6,098	433	248,740	79,231	334,502
	MP	33,762	10,644	186,966	52,956	284,328
	NC	3,212	14,685	34,163	11,306	63,366
	NW	5,327	372	111,221	39,079	155,999
	WC	9,306	18,790	197,180	123,097	348,373
	National	232,683	62,943	1,613,125	596,836	2,505,587

Source: 2020 and 2021 LURITS

Note: Please note that EC did not submit 2020 data to DBE on learners receiving social grant.

Table 1 indicates that about 2 505 587 learners received child support grant in 2021. of the 2 505 587 learners, 1 613 125 were in primary schools and 596 836 were in secondary schools.

(ii)

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Year	Province Name	Total Wrote	Total Achieved	% Achieved
2019	EASTERN CAPE	45,046	33,814	75.07%
	FREE STATE	16,702	14,647	87.70%
	GAUTENG	53,729	45,688	85.03%
	KWAZULU-NATAL	84,389	67,893	80.45%
	LIMPOPO	56,171	40,596	72.27%
	MPUMALANGA	32,516	25,697	79.03%
	NORTH WEST	18,443	15,851	85.95%
	NORTHERN CAPE	6,220	4,640	74.60%
	WESTERN CAPE	26,703	20,435	76.53%
	NATIONAL	339,919	269,261	79.21%
2020	EASTERN CAPE	53,313	35,526	66.64%
	FREE STATE	18,987	16,009	84.32%
	GAUTENG	64,753	52,385	80.90%
	KWAZULU-NATAL	100,876	77,427	76.75%
	LIMPOPO	63,372	42,517	67.09%
	MPUMALANGA	41,383	29,993	72.48%
	NORTH WEST	26,751	20,107	75.16%
	NORTHERN CAPE	8,328	5,257	63.12%
WESTERN CAPE	28,122	20,730	73.71%	
NATIONAL	405,885	299,951	73.90%	
2021	EASTERN CAPE	68,785	49,635	72.16%

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FREE STATE	24,867	21,121	84.94%
GAUTENG	78,548	62,632	79.74%
KWAZULU-NATAL	127,946	97,394	76.12%
LIMPOPO	86,185	56,769	65.87%
MPUMALANGA	53,261	38,675	72.61%
NORTH WEST	30,342	23,434	77.23%
NORTHERN CAPE	9,237	6,402	69.31%
WESTERN CAPE	33,131	25,255	76.23%
NATIONAL	512,302	381,317	74.43%

Table 2 indicates the number of learners who received social grant and completed matric between 2019 and 2021. About 74% of learners who received social grant passed matric in 2021.