

A statistical summary of social grants in South Africa

The fact sheet provides a statistical summary of social grants in the 9 regions (provinces) of South Africa which are: Eastern Cape (EC), Free State (FS), Gauteng (GP), KwaZulu-Natal (KZN), Limpopo (LP), Mpumalanga (MP), Northern Cape (NC), North West (NW) and Western Cape (WC) as at 31 December 2017. Social grants refer to Old Age grant (OAG), War Veteran's grant (WVG), Disability grant (DG), Grant in Aid (GIA), Care Dependency grant (CDG), Foster Child grant (FCG) and Child Support grant (CSG)

Table 1: Total number of social grants by grant type and region as at 31 December 2017

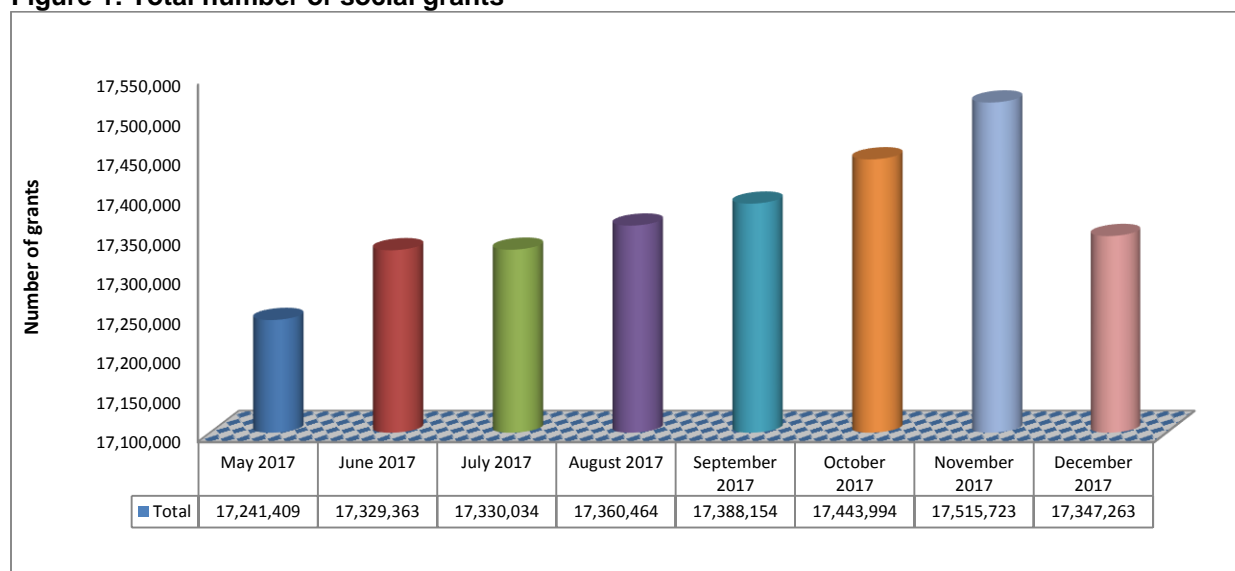
| Region | Grant type | | | | | | | Total |
|--------------|------------------|------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | OAG | WVG | DG | GIA | CDG | FCG | CSG | |
| EC | 556,105 | 23 | 180,412 | 21,688 | 22,478 | 84,500 | 1,887,079 | 2,752,285 |
| FS | 197,645 | 1 | 75,711 | 5,569 | 8,114 | 26,669 | 682,402 | 996,111 |
| GP | 574,444 | 48 | 117,840 | 6,303 | 19,163 | 45,263 | 1,818,075 | 2,581,136 |
| KZN | 673,793 | 18 | 229,458 | 54,098 | 39,123 | 79,397 | 2,782,071 | 3,857,958 |
| LP | 457,753 | 3 | 96,167 | 42,622 | 15,316 | 38,639 | 1,801,028 | 2,451,528 |
| MP | 246,755 | 4 | 78,475 | 14,754 | 11,310 | 26,611 | 1,079,685 | 1,457,594 |
| NC | 85,677 | 3 | 52,149 | 10,521 | 6,015 | 11,409 | 307,026 | 472,800 |
| NW | 253,705 | 2 | 75,568 | 10,801 | 10,068 | 29,100 | 839,462 | 1,218,706 |
| WC | 335,027 | 43 | 159,756 | 18,340 | 15,079 | 30,055 | 1,000,845 | 1,559,145 |
| Total | 3,380,904 | 145 | 1,065,536 | 184,696 | 146,666 | 371,643 | 12,197,673 | 17,347,263 |

Source: SOCPEN system

NB: The total include grant in aid

Table 1 shows the status quo of social grants as at 31 December 2017.

Figure 1: Total number of social grants



Source: SOCPEN system

NB: The totals include grant in aid

Figure 1 shows the trend of social grants from 31 May 2017 to 31 December 2017.

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