**Memorandum from the Parliamentary Office**

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 1624**

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**Prof B Bozzoli (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

What amount of student debt was (a) incurred and (b) written off at each public (i) university and (ii) technical and vocational education and training college in each of the last ten financial years?

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**REPLY:**

The table attached as Annexure A provides the student debt incurred and written off at each public university.

With regard to Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) colleges, the Annual Financial Statements of the 50 public TVET colleges for the last 10 financial years are being analysed and the requested information will be provided once completed.

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**ANNEXURE A**

**No**

**Universities**

**2015**

**2014**

**2013**

**2012**

**2011**

**2010**

**2009**

**2008**

**2007**

**2006**

**1**

Gross student debt

182 700

146 915

162 202

79 858

86 479

82 868

72 170

69 811

56 006

53 248

Impairments/Write offs

98 495

64 423

63 506

44 338

46 772

51 722

37 576

40 282

20 740

25 443

2

**Rhodes University**

Gross student debt

62 881

43 885

38 455

26 380

61808

53 692

41 416

28 252

20 139

17 122

Impairments/Write offs

20 609

16 188

14 092

9 980

10417

9 028

9 209

8 492

7 637

7 901

3

**University of Free State**

Gross student debt

73 615

54 978

51 339

42 337

43 469

41 817

35 364

42 634

55 899

64 712

Impairments/Write offs

30 289

24 379

24 258

20 258

19 783

20 501

18 231

17 474

24 455

35 860

4

**University of Cape Town**

Gross student debt

128 797

94 767

84 227

73 462

90 696

95 225

102 037

102 473

85 940

91 264

Impairments/Write offs

41 080

36 100

29 100

26 100

50 588

61 721

63 422

69 469

65 928

68 711

5

**University of Pretoria**

Gross student debt

269 684

217 170

202 338

176 664

235 089

169 429

151 355

148 161

134 186

133 440

Impairments/Write offs

96 054

65 217

55 535

48 988

60 992

47 975

35 139

30 460

28 886

24 152

**6**

**Stellenbosch University**

Gross student debt

178 351

151 323

131 958

117 184

258 641

229 530

204 197

180 417

156 914

132 891

Impairments/Write offs

92 554

73 178

62 510

74 553

61 514

49 807

43 790

25 707

23 456

18 586

**7**

**University of Witwatersrand**

Gross student debt

171 784

183 060

110 121

84 070

25 911

29 828

32 212

37 121

92 064

41 095

Impairments/Write offs

74 815

48 420

58 266

42 884

18 153

22 520

24 150

51 231

54 648

26 337

**8**

**University of the Western Cape**

Gross student debt

271 894

237 946

221 601

192 169

185 443

184 611

160 713

154 247

154 190

130 901

Impairments/Write offs

171 081

141 512

131 012

119 234

109 064

109 365

104 302

106 086

105 472

103 109

**9**

**University of Fort Hare**

Gross student debt

311 904

221 063

190 875

131 658

97 860

64 016

70 289

80 085

55 977

54 580

Impairments/Write offs

36 005

60 436

26 962

26 962

-24 346

30 132

53 408

49 262

42 706

34 687

**10**

**University of Limpopo**

Gross student debt

332 116

563 122

503 291

392 343

360 141

351 037

317219

310 118

350820

366732

Impairments/Write offs

139 993

431 064

333 774

380 620

333 190

295 407

304711

291 362

323443

311594

**11**

**University of Kwa Zulu Natal**

Gross student debt

751 322

591 346

512 789

521 955

645 385

215 369

593 331

571 770

495 939

440 454

Impairments/Write offs

609 692

471 413

424 394

424 393

164 549

74 246

270 066

280 805

274 639

262 215

12

**University of Zululand**

Gross student debt

255 394

144 460

246 993

171 761

156 050

173 315

117 377

107 411

102 632

75 624

Impairments/Write offs

127 165

112 719

85 567

98 787

66 859

77 200

57 699

35 399

27 796

18 803

13

**Walter Sisulu University**

Gross student debt

484 602

361 680

256 303

101 825

236 088

222 947

159 945

127 105

98 878

88 157

Impairments/Write offs

159 624

110 967

88 905

25 070

124 236

124 294

67 670

81 512

78 877

62 729

**14**

Gross student debt

405 708

250235

366887

398185

191 030

112 208

88 403

146 581

99 592

97 826

Impairments/Write offs

132 416

144198

129027

112748

88 564

81 700

58 803

59 684

60 085

56 430

15

**Nelson Mandela University**

Gross student debt

79 929

68624

52986

21811

47142

32 045

26 648

20 483

25 626

32 330

Impairments/Write offs

52 393

25974

21714

13548

11756

11 310

9 406

5 982

12 000

17 600

16

**University of Venda**

Gross student debt

163 115

142 371

115 362

71 564

91 308

69 505

69 887

59 790

78 775

64 618

Impairments/Write offs

163 115

142 371

86 119

71 564

53 761

52 949

44 509

30 935

30 069

28 544

17

**University of South Africa**

Gross student debt

374 975

245985

220753

125612

111 670

77 455

91221

67398

73768

87364

Impairments/Write offs

69 031

73220

38000

70778

74 779

38 058

56624

46305

47074

68275

18

**Sefako Makgatho Health Sciences University**

Gross student debt

234 020

2 101

Impairments/Write offs

196 210

2 101

19

**Sol Plaatje University**

Gross student debt

3 170

Impairments/Write offs

992

-

20

**University of Mpumalanga**

Gross student debt

9 038

Impairments/Write offs

460

**University of Johannesburg**

**Northwest University**

