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**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

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**2955. Ms B S Masango (DA) to ask the Minister of Social Development:**

What (a) has been the ratio of grant recipients to the population since 27 April 1994 and (b) is the proportion for each year to date? NW3781E

**REPLY:**

The table below indicates the numbers of grant recipients per year as at 31 March of each year, from 1996/97, expressed as a percentage of the populations estimates. Unfortunately, the data from 1994 is not available, as this had not yet been consolidated into a single database, but was managed provincially.

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| **FINANCIAL YEAR** | **Daily Stats as at 31 March** | **Population Estimates** | **% Share** |
| 1996/97 | 3 018 909 | 41 226 700 | 7% |
| 1997/98 | 2 832 156 | 42 130 500 | 7% |
| 1998/99 | 2 923 718 | 43 054 306 | 7% |
| 1999/00 | 3 034 381 | 43 685 699 | 7% |
| 2000/01 | 3 864 463 | 44 560 644 | 9% |
| 2001/02 | 4 033 384 | 45 454 211 | 9% |
| 2002/03 | 4 969 666 | 46 429 823 | 11% |
| 2003/04 | 6 494 115 | 46 586 607 | 14% |
| 2004/05 | 9 421 654 | 46 888 200 | 20% |
| 2005/06 | 10 974 076 | 47 390 900 | 23% |
| 2006/07 | 12 015 059 | 47 850 700 | 25% |
| 2007/08 | 12 423 739 | 48 687 000 | 26% |
| 2008/09 | 13 072 173 | 49 320 500 | 27% |
| 2009/10 | 14 057 365 | 49 991 300 | 28% |
| 2010/11 | 14 935 832 | 50 586 757 | 30% |
| 2011/12 | 15 407 194 | 50 586 757 | 30% |
| 2012/13 | 16 106 110 | 52 982 000 | 30% |
| 2013/14 | 15 932 473 | 54 002 000 | 30% |
| 2014/15 | 16 642 643 | 54 956 900 | 30% |
| 2015/16 | 16 991 634 | 55 908 900 | 30% |
| 2016/17 | 17 200 525 | 56 521 900 | 30% |
| 2017/18 | 17 509 995 | 57 725 600 | 30% |
| 2018/19 | 17 811 745 | 58 775 022 | 30% |
| 2019/20 | 18 290 592 | 59 622 350 | 31% |