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| MEMORANDUM FROM THE PARLIAMENTARY OFFICE |

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION 345**

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**INTERNAL QUESTION PAPER NO 03 OF 2019**

**Mr A P van der Westhuizen (DA) to ask the Minister of Higher Education and Training:**

With reference to each technical vocational and training college, what (a) is the total number of students who have been approved for financing by the National Student Financial Aid Scheme to date and (b) number of students received (i) their standard allowance of R1 950 on or before 8 February 2019 as presented to Parliament on 13 February 2019 and (ii) cash on or before 21 February 2019?

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**REPLY:**

1. The total number of students who have been approved for funding in the Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) college sector is 382 888.
2. (i) The total number of students who received the standard upfront allowance of R1 950 on or before the 08 February 2019, based on registration confirmations, was 186 199.
3. The number of students who received allowance payments by 21 February 2019 was 23 238. This was due to administrative delays on the part of colleges.

The detailed breakdown per institution is reflected in the table below:

| **TVET College** | **Approved for funding** | **Upfront allowance payments by 8 Feb 2019** | **Allowance payments by**  **21 Feb 2019** |
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| 1. Boland | 7 424 | 4 140 | 57 |
| 1. Buffalo City | 5 858 | 2 491 | 135 |
| 1. Capricorn | 13 091 | 6 458 | 159 |
| 1. Central Johannesburg | 5 557 | 3 534 | 104 |
| 1. Coastal KZN | 11 997 | 5 855 | 1 122 |
| 1. College of cape town | 7 852 | 3 237 | 701 |
| 1. Eastcape Midlands | 6 796 | 3 924 | 194 |
| 1. Ehlanzeni | 8 063 | 402 | 3 325 |
| 1. Ekurhuleni East | 8 979 | 1 127 | 3 680 |
| 1. Ekurhuleni West | 14 779 | 7 970 | 414 |
| 1. Elangeni | 10 030 | 5 781 | 151 |
| 1. Esayidi | 6 128 | 3 488 | 100 |
| 1. False Bay | 5 073 | 2 625 | 160 |
| 1. Flavius Mareka | 4 092 | 2 469 | 111 |
| 1. Gert Sibande | 11 692 | 5 844 | 380 |
| 1. Goldfields | 3 523 | 2 366 | 93 |
| 1. Ikhala | 5 289 | 2 588 | 313 |
| 1. Ingwe | 5 460 | 3 128 | 201 |
| 1. King Hintsa | 3 459 | 1 788 | 201 |
| 1. King Sabata Dalindyebo | 7 765 | 3 627 | 833 |
| 1. Lephalale | 2 485 | 1 592 | 138 |
| 1. Letaba | 5 991 | 3 167 | 88 |
| 1. Lovedale | 4 378 | 0 | 0 |
| 1. Majuba | 16 353 | 9 103 | 27 |
| 1. Maluti | 8 983 | 4 746 | 254 |
| 1. Mnambithi | 4 393 | 2 429 | 178 |
| 1. Mopani South East | 6 582 | 3 791 | 205 |
| 1. Motheo | 9 026 | 2 409 | 46 |
| 1. Mthashana | 4 720 | 2 574 | 98 |
| 1. Nkangala | 8 867 | 4 570 | 161 |
| 1. Northern Cape Rural | 3 025 | 1 858 | - |
| 1. Northern Cape Urban | 5 863 | 3 829 | 531 |
| 1. Northlink | 12 629 | 6 627 | 371 |
| 1. Orbit | 8 780 | 4 115 | 233 |
| 1. Port Elizabeth | 5 900 | 3 469 | 100 |
| 1. Sedibeng | 12 070 | 6 553 | 299 |
| 1. Sekhukhune | 4 677 | 2 688 | 92 |
| 1. South Cape | 5 107 | 2 755 | 143 |
| 1. South West Gauteng | 15 616 | 8 035 | 602 |
| 1. Taletso | 3 014 | 1 500 | 192 |
| 1. Thekwini | 6 503 | 2 680 | 815 |
| 1. Tshwane North | 11 725 | 5 920 | 389 |
| 1. Tshwane South | 5 579 | 3 521 | - |
| 1. Umfolozi | 8 239 | 4 238 | 248 |
| 1. Umgungundlovu | 6 718 | 2 302 | 88 |
| 1. Vhembe | 13 277 | 6 217 | 772 |
| 1. Vuselela | 4 992 | 2 747 | 61 |
| 1. Waterberg | 5 926 | 2 874 | - |
| 1. West Coast | 7 256 | - | 4 305 |
| 1. Western | 11 307 | 7 048 | 368 |
| **Total** | **382 888** | **186 199** | **23 238** |

It must be noted that the number of students “approved for funding” means provisionally funded. NSFAS is still waiting for registration data from colleges to confirm their final funding status. The upfront allowance was only paid to students whose registrations have been verified. Due to administrative difficulties experienced at colleges, some students were paid after 8 February 2019.