

The numbers of Normal Old Age Allowance (OAA) and Higher OAA recipients and the expenditure involved in the past five years, and the population of persons aged 65 or above in the respective years

Financial year	Normal OAA (for elders aged 65-69)		Higher OAA (for elders aged 70 or above)		Total expenditure*# (\$ million)	Population of persons aged 65 or above (as at December of the financial year)
	Recipients (as at the end of financial year)	Expenditure* (\$ million)	Recipients (as at the end of financial year)	Expenditure* (\$ million)		
2005-06	83 230	631	377 794	3,075	3,706	846 700
2006-07	75 287	583	390 985	3,215	3,799	864 800
2007-08	70 054	569	403 105	3,533	4,102	878 800
2008-09	69 401	872	416 454	5,543	6,415	888 100
2009-10	69 980	891	427 962	5,429	6,320	906 100

Note: \* Expenditures in 2007-08 and 2009-10 included the payment of one additional month of allowance to recipients. Expenditure in 2008-09 included the one-off payments of \$3,000 as well as two additional months of allowance to recipients.

# Individual figures may not add up to the total due to rounding.