

On the 3 August 2017, the Department implemented an operational policy for SRSS Band 6 eligibility that states: 'Individuals or families who are found to be remitting funds overseas or in receipt of overseas funds with an accumulative amount AUD \$500 (Note: threshold is now \$1000), within a 12 month period are not eligible for Band 6 support.

- For the period 1 April 2017 to 18 January 2018, a total of 127 people had their SRSS payment ceased due to remitting funds overseas.
- 45 were individual clients, and the remainder were a total of 25 family groups.

Please note the Department cannot disclose information on the total number of SRSS payment cancellations as requested. We can only provide information on the number of individuals who were cancelled from SRSS Band services due to overseas money transfers.

It should also be noted that between 4 July 2016 to 2 August 2017, SRSS payment cancellation due to overseas money transfers was not part of SRSS policy.